

Valley Local Schools

Distinguished Academic Alumni Hall of Fame Guidelines

Article I

The name of this organization shall be the Valley High School Distinguished Academic Alumni Hall of Fame, a program under the jurisdiction of the Superintendent and Alumni Association of Valley Local Schools.

Article II

The Academic Hall of Fame will be organized as a way of maintaining the heritage and tradition of the successful academic programs at Valley High School. This award also emphasizes the importance of graduates that have been life-long learners and those who made the most of every opportunity. Inductees to this prestigious honor will serve as role models for the current student body.

As part of the Valley Local District's focus on continuous growth for all, the Valley High School Distinguished Academic Alumni Committee invites nomination for candidates to the Valley High School Distinguished Academic Alumni Hall of Fame. This award honors alumni whose deeds and character exemplify outstanding achievement in their life's work and/or service to their communities. An honoree's spirit and leadership are worthy of recognition and have inspired praise and gratitude among his or her peers.

Article III

The Academic Hall of Fame shall be governed by the Hall of Fame Selection Committee including; the Superintendent, the High School Principal, one board member, and two office holders of the Alumni Association (President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary). Alumni Association and Board members on the committee shall be 10 years removed from their graduation from Valley High School. An active board member cannot serve as both a board and Alumni Association representative. Consensus would be needed for all decisions regarding policy and procedure changes. If a consensus cannot be reached then a vote would be taken that would require a majority vote. A quorum shall be present in order for any business to be transacted. A quorum shall be 80% of the committee.

Article IV

Criteria for selection

- A. The nominee must have graduated from Valley High School 5 years prior to nomination.
- B. The nominee must have a special achievement in their area of specialty and/or received honors, awards, or other recognition on a local, regional, national, or international level. Medal of Honor recipients will be granted early admission to the selection process.

- C. The nominee has demonstrated leadership, character, and service to society in general or to a specific segment of society
- D. Nominations for posthumous awards will be accepted.

Article V

Size of Induction Class

A class of inductees shall not number more than two per year.

Article VI

Requirements and Procedures for Nominations

In order to maintain the integrity of the Academic Hall of Fame, the following criteria have been established for nominations. Nominees must exemplify the highest standards of citizenship, ethical conduct, and character. Nominees must not have a criminal record beyond a minor traffic violation. Their contributions to society and personal achievements emphasize that they understand the importance of life-long learning and making the most of every opportunity.

Nomination Procedures

1. Inductees may be nominated by;
 - A. The Selection Committee
 - B. Current or former faculty, administration, or staff member
 - C. An Alumnus of Valley High School
2. Nomination Form
 - A. All entries must be submitted on the Valley High School Academic Alumni Hall of Fame nomination form. Nomination forms must be filled out accurately and completely for consideration.
 - B. Forms shall be available through the Valley Local School District Board of Education Office and High School. Forms and information regarding this program will also be found on the district website: www.valleyls.org
 - C. The nomination form shall be completed and submitted to the District Superintendent by April 1st for the candidate to be considered for induction in the following school year. All nominations received must contain active, current addresses and contact information for the nominee (or family of deceased).
3. Terms of Nomination
 - A. Following the initial nomination, a candidate shall remain eligible for induction for the following 5 years. The school superintendent's office

will keep the nomination forms and information on file. After 5 years the person may be re-nominated.

Article VII

The following article outlines procedures for selecting alumnus to be inducted into the Distinguished Academic Alumni Hall of Fame.

The Selection Committee

The Valley High School Hall of Fame Selection Committee will meet annually to select candidates based on the criteria. The committee will select a chair to serve a one-year term. The chairman must be a member of the selection committee.

The duties and responsibilities of the Fall of Fame Selection Committee shall be as follows:

1. Attend the regularly scheduled meetings.
2. Annually evaluate the nominations of individuals submitted who fulfill the requirements for consideration.
3. Approve only those individuals who had significant achievements based on the criteria outlined in this document.
4. Evaluate and update the policies and operational procedures of the Valley High School Distinguished Academic Alumni Hall of Fame.
5. Validate and approve all worthy candidates for induction.
6. Keep all action of the Selection Committee confidential.
7. Make no decision that will knowingly result in personal gain.

The voting procedures of the Distinguished Academic Alumni Hall of Fame Selection Committee shall be as follows:

1. The committee shall review candidates based on information available after the April 1st nomination deadline.
2. After open discussion about candidates, a vote will be conducted for the purpose of choosing inductees.
3. The inductees are determined by totaling the number of votes for each candidate. The individuals or teams with the highest scores shall be inducted into the Hall of Fame the following year.
4. The annual voting of the Selection Committee will be confidential.
5. Inductees will be announced at a pre-determined time following the final selection process and after the individuals have been contacted and indicated that they will need to be present or represented at the induction ceremony.

Article VIII

Induction Ceremony

The Distinguished Academic Alumni Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony shall be held each year at the annual High School Academic Banquet. Inductees will be notified by May 1st if selected for the current year's class.

**VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL
DISTINGUISHED ACADEMIC ALUMNI HALL OF FAME
NOMINATION FORM**

Application Deadline: April 1, 2012

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Requirements for Eligibility:

- The nominee must have graduated from Valley High School 5 years prior to nomination.
- The nominee must have a special achievement in their area of specialty and/or received honors, awards, or other recognition on a local, regional, national, or international level. Medal of Honor recipients will be granted early admission to the selection process.
- The nominee has demonstrated leadership, character, and service to society in general or to a specific segment of society
- Nominations for posthumous awards will be accepted.

Nomination:

Nominee's Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____
Maiden Name: _____ Graduation Year: _____
Address: _____ City: _____
State: _____ Zip: _____ E-mail Address: _____
Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Nominator's Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
Address: _____ City: _____
State: _____ Zip: _____ Email-Address: _____
Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Mail Completed Application To:

Valley High School
1821 State Route 728
Lucasville, OH 45648

Please complete the form on the reverse side. Attach additional copies if necessary.

SUPPORT DATA
(please type or print legibly)

List any special achievements, honors, or awards of the nominee:

List any special contributions the nominee has made in the areas of leadership, character, and service to society. Please include how the nominee displayed the guided principles of VHS (honesty, respect, responsibility, compassion, and hard-work) through their contributions:

List any meritorious awards the nominee has received for public, community or military service:

Please summarize why the candidate should be inducted into the Valley High School Academic Alumni Hall of Fame and add any additional pertinent accomplishments not covered in the lists above. Please include titles of the nominee.

Add additional sheets if needed.