



## *The Stemmys*

Presented by STEM Forward

### AWARD CATEGORIES

**Education** – Awarded to the educational institution whose curriculum, individual activities, and/or overall program demonstrates a unique approach and/or unparalleled commitment to promoting STEM awareness and improving the STEM competency of K-12 students.

**Partnership** – Awarded to the business, governmental agency, association, foundation or other organization whose educational outreach efforts, in partnership with individual students and/or local schools demonstrates a unique approach and/or unparalleled commitment to promoting STEM awareness and improving the STEM competency of K-12 students.

**Individual** – Awarded to the individual whose efforts at the strategic and/or “hands-on” level demonstrates a unique approach and/or unparalleled commitment to promoting STEM awareness and improving the STEM competency of K-12 students.

**STEM Forward** is seeking nominations for the 2017 Excellence in STEM Awards—The Stemmys, which will be presented at the 14th Annual sySTEMnow Conference, October 31, 2017 at the Italian Community Center.

Candidates for the Stemmy Awards may be nominated by a colleague or may be self-nominated. Nominations may only be considered for one of the three award categories: Education, Partnership or Individual. Only one award will be made to a single organization or an individual from that organization per annual competition.

Nominations for an Individual award must clearly delineate the achievements of an individual separate from those of an organization. Similarly, nominations for an Education or Partnership award must reflect the achievements of an organization rather than those of an individual.

### CRITERIA

**In the Education Category** all state-accredited educational institutions (private, public, charter, choice, PK-12, technical college, college or university) located in Wisconsin are eligible for nomination.

**In the Partnership Category** all organizations other than educational institutions (i.e., public sector, private sector, profit, not-for-profit, etc.) located in Wisconsin are eligible for nomination.

**In the Individual Category** the individual must live, work or attend school in Wisconsin to be eligible for nomination.

Nominations for all awards may be based upon a recent accomplishment or a longer term series of accomplishments. Individuals or organizations may receive multiple awards over a period of years.

Awards will be presented to candidates that meet the criteria above as judged by the Stemmy awards selection committee. All awards will not necessarily be offered every year. Honorable mentions may be presented in addition to, or instead of the Excellence in STEM Award in a given category.

### What is sySTEMnow?

- “**sySTEM**” is an acronym for Strengthening our Youth in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics
- “**now**” means now!

Founded in 2004, the annual sySTEMnow Conference has become Wisconsin’s #1 forum for developing, promoting and implementing STEM partnerships between K-12, higher education and the STEM workforce.



## Nomination Form

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Please use this form to provide details of the nominee's achievements in STEM. Information you provide will help the awards committee understand the scope of the nominee's STEM involvement and their impact on the community.

Name of Nominee:

Organization (if applicable):

Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Phone:

E-Mail:

Award Category (check one only): ☐ Education ☐ Partnership ☐ Individual

Name of Nominator (if different than Nominee):

Organization (if applicable):

Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Phone:

E-Mail:

The nomination packet should include a description of the nominee's STEM accomplishments in detail. Please consider/address the following:

- Impact of the nominee's efforts on the community and those served, how under-represented populations are affected, and achievements/collaborations, etc. (1 page maximum).
- A brief description (1 page maximum) of the nominee; and
- Letters of support (no more than 3) are strongly encouraged from colleagues and students attesting to the nominee's achievements.

Send completed form and attachments (preferably electronically) to: [ckuczmarski@stemforward.org](mailto:ckuczmarski@stemforward.org) or mail to:

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**DEADLINE:** Completed nomination form and attachments must be received no later than **September 29, 2017**



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