



The State Bar
of California

Office of
Access &
Fairness
Programs

2011 Education Pipeline Award

THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA

AWARD GUIDELINES

DEADLINE: MARCH 31, 2011

The State Bar of California Education Pipeline Award was established in 2008 by the Board of Governors to recognize outstanding efforts of law-related educational programs that train and support students to become interested in the judicial system and careers in the law.

EDUCATION PIPELINE AWARD CRITERIA

- All California kindergarten through college educational programs are eligible.
- Programs must demonstrate successful efforts to increase student awareness about the judicial system and knowledge about the legal profession and careers in the law.

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN NOMINATION MATERIALS:

- Program description including details about the size and scope of the program.
- Backgrounds of students (age range, whether they have family members in the legal profession, why the students chose to enroll in the program, socio-economic status of the students).
- Whether the program serves a rural or urban area.

FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED

- The length of time that the program has been in existence.
- The duration and frequency of student interaction with the program (daily, weekly, quarterly, throughout the school year, during the summer).
- Whether the program is extracurricular or part of an academic program.
- Innovations or creative strategies that are part of the program.
- Documentation of increased student awareness about the justice system.
- Measures of increased student knowledge about the legal program.
- Demonstration of an increase in the students' legal skill set.
- Any increase in applications to the program.
- The rate of retention of students in the program.
- Activities that expose the students to real legal practitioners and workplaces.
- Any materials provided to students and parents.

SELECTION PROCESS AND AWARDS PRESENTATION

All nominees and nominators will be notified of the receipt of submitted nominations. The State Bar's Council on Access & Fairness will review all nominations and make recommendations to the Board of Governors for final approval.

Submit an original copy of the completed nomination form and supporting materials (**limited to 25 pages, single-sided, 8 ½ X 11 inches**) that strictly conform to the instructions. The nomination must be e-mailed, faxed or postmarked by **MARCH 31, 2011**. **Incomplete nominations will not be accepted and will be returned to the nominator for completion and submission by the MARCH 31, 2011 deadline.** The awards will be presented during the State Bar Annual Meeting in Long Beach, which will be held from September 15-18, 2011.

PAST AWARD RECIPIENTS

2009 Recipient: Pacific McGeorge Education Pipeline Initiatives, Sacramento

2010 Recipient: Deer Valley High School Law Academy, Antioch