



2014 Achievement in Action Award

ABOUT THE AWARD:

Superintendent of Public Instruction John Huppenthal and the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) are pleased to announce the launch of the new Achievement in Action Award. As part of our mission to share examples of outstanding educational practices from around our state, this new award is designed to recognize and acknowledge K-12 schools that have implemented creative and innovative programs that have had a positive impact on student achievement. Programs that incorporate technology will receive special consideration. Award recipients will be announced and honored annually at ADE's Leading Change Conference in June.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Program/practice must be administered by a K-12 district or charter school entity
- Program/practice must be able to demonstrate positive impact on student engagement and/or achievement over a period of two or more consecutive years.
- Program/practice must have been in place since the 2011-2012 school year or earlier

PLEASE NOTE: Only programs that meet all eligibility requirements will be considered for the award.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- How does the program/practice demonstrate a significant increase in student engagement and/or achievement?
Evidence will be required to support the program's impact on student engagement and/or achievement over a period of two or more consecutive years.
- How does the program/practice demonstrate its effectiveness in aligning to Arizona's Common Core Standards?
Evidence will be required to show how the program/practice aligns to the standards.
- What makes the program/practice exemplary/creative?
A description of what makes your program exemplary/creative and how it has impacted achievement should be provided.

SUPPORTING MATERIALS:

- A sample lesson plan or best practice demonstrating how the exemplary program/practice is implemented at the school
- One page statement describing the innovative program's philosophy and history
- One letter of support from the program supervisor
- Evidence of growth in student engagement/achievement
- Evidence of alignment to Arizona's Common Core Standards

JUDGING PROCESS:

- Nominations will be reviewed by a panel composed of internal and external reviewers
- The panel will rank the Nominations according to how well they meet or exceed the criteria



2014 Achievement in Action NOMINATION FORM

How to nominate

LEAs (either school districts or charter administrators) may submit a maximum of 2 nominations. Each nomination must be submitted on a separate form. Incomplete forms will be considered ineligible.

PART I	
School Name:	
School District/Charter Holder:	
PART II	
School's Mailing Address: <i>(Including City and Zip Code)</i>	County:
School's Phone Number:	School's Fax Number:
Principal's Name:	Principal's Email Address:
PART III	
School Type: <i>(Check all that apply)</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Charter <input type="checkbox"/> Title I <input type="checkbox"/> Magnet <input type="checkbox"/> Focus <input type="checkbox"/> Priority	
Grade Levels Served:	Total Student Enrollment:
Innovative Program Name/Description:	Current grade level(s) using the program:

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<input type="checkbox"/> APPROVED <input type="checkbox"/> DENIED	REASON FOR DENIAL:
DATE RECEIVED:	



Award criteria

When making your nomination, please provide a short description of how the school's program/practice meets the award criteria.

(Please attached any additional pages)

1. *Please provide evidence of increased student engagement/achievement over a period of two or more consecutive years (including examples of academic growth):*

2. *Explain how the program aligns to Arizona's Common Core Standards:*



3. Describe what makes the program/practice exemplary/creative (please include a description of what kind of technology is used if applicable):

Nominated by

Name and Title:	
District/Charter Holder:	
Address:	
Telephone:	
Email:	
Signature	
Date:	

PLEASE NOTE: Nominations must be received by no later than **Friday, November 1, 2013**. Incomplete nominations will not be considered. For more information or questions call (602) 542-4391 or e-mail shannon.tucker@azed.gov

Nominations can be mailed to:
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