

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Angela Zajac

PARAPROFESSIONAL EISENHOWER COOPERATIVE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY AWARD

The services that the paraprofessional brings to the classroom are frequently understated and cannot go unnoticed. Paraprofessionals support, assist, and work closely with the classroom teacher, administrators, and other team members to provide educational benefit to the students.

Eisenhower Cooperative is now accepting nomination packets for the Exemplary Assistive Technology Paraprofessional Award. The purpose of this award is to recognize and encourage outstanding achievement by paraprofessionals in the service of working to improve their understanding and use of AT. The exemplary service award provides an opportunity for faculty, staff, and students to express appreciation for those paraprofessionals who set positive examples for others and support the goals and mission of Eisenhower Cooperative.

Nomination Process:

Multiple paraprofessional nomination packets can be submitted by each district. Any professional, parent, or peer can nominate an individual.

Each packet must include all of the following:

- Completed Paraprofessional Nomination Form ~ Nominee's Name: _____
- Two (2) letters of recommendation for submission for this award
- Digital picture(s) of nominated paraprofessional

Criteria for Consideration:

- The paraprofessional displays a willingness to learn new and innovative technologies used by students
- The paraprofessional, under the direction of certified staff consistently shows a commitment to empowering students through Assistive Technology
- The paraprofessional works effectively with all team members
- Additional professional development courses and/or in-service training related to Assistive Technology (may include AT specific workshops, on-line continuing education, or contact hour courses)

Paraprofessional nomination packets submitted by **February 8, 2019**, will be considered for this award.

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The five-member award selection committee will review each nomination packet to determine award winners and announce the winners in March, 2019.

Each honoree will be recognized at the Eisenhower Cooperative Award Ceremony and Breakfast to be held Thursday, April 25, 2019, at the DoubleTree Hotel in Alsip, IL.

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Mail or fax, completed packets to: Mrs. Catherine Kushner, Eisenhower Cooperative,
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