

Virginia Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance
Award Criteria

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- I. Name: Pioneer Recognition Award

- II. Criteria
 - A. The Pioneer Recognition Award was established to recognize someone who has provided outstanding service to VAHPERD for a long period of time, and who continues to serve as a role model for other professionals. Individuals who have completed their formal careers (retired) in health, physical education, recreation, or dance are eligible for this award.

 - B. The candidate must be a former professional in one of the areas represented within VAHPERD, and must have:
 - 1. Served the Association as a leader and provided a positive role model
 - 2. Supported the Association by membership in VAHPERD for at least fifteen years;
 - 3. Provided leadership in an elected office or served in an appointed capacity within VAHPERD for at least five years;
 - 4. Contributed significantly to the professional development of younger or new colleagues.

- III. Rules for Nomination
 - A. Any person who is professionally trained in areas represented by VAHPERD may apply or be nominated for this award.

- IV. Application
 - A. Nominations must be submitted to the Chair of the Awards Committee by April 1.
 - B. The Chair will send the candidate the "Candidate Application Form" by April 10.
 - C. The nominee is asked to complete the form and return by June 15.
 - D. Nominees, if not selected, shall remain eligible for a period of two years.