



**California Council for the Social Studies**  
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## **Ruth Delzell Service Award**

**Purpose** The purpose of the Ruth Delzell Outstanding Service Award is to recognize a CCSS member whose dedication at both the state and local levels has contributed significantly to the CCSS organization and to social studies education.

**Nomination Process** Nominations may be submitted by a CCSS member, a CCSS local council or a CCSS member working in a statewide organization/institution.

### **Membership Status**

- A current member of CCSS at the time of nomination.
- Not an elected member of the CCSS Executive Committee at the time of the nomination.
- Not a member of the Selection Committee at the time of the nomination.

### **Criteria**

1. Nominee has contributed service to social studies education in variety of ways over a period of several years.
  - a. Providing exemplary service on a local committee affecting social studies education.
  - b. Advocating for social studies education in a school or community.
  - c. Organizing and conducting professional development programs in social studies.
  - d. Organizing co-curricular and/or extracurricular social studies activities for students at the site/district, county or state level (especially those sponsored by CCSS or its affiliates).
  - e. Participating in other local activities the committee deems significant.
2. Nominee has provided distinguished service to the California Council for the Social Studies in a variety of ways over a period of five or more years, which may include:
  - a. Providing exemplary service on a CCSS committee or task force.
  - b. Serving as an appointed representative or liaison of the CCSS to a statewide committee or organization.
  - c. Authoring articles or lessons for CCSS publications
  - d. Serving the CCSS in other capacities the committee deems significant.

**Award** Each award recipient will receive:

- A plaque
- A complimentary registration at the "Award Year" Conference

### **Selection Process**

1. The selection committee will consist of current members of the Professional Standards Committee, an Executive Committee Member/Board Member and may include a past recipient of the award.
2. Selection committee members will have no conflict of interest with award nominees.
3. \*First consideration will be given to a nominee in the region in which the conference is being held.

### **Required**

## **Documentation**

It is the responsibility of the nominator to provide all nomination materials.

1. A vita or professional resume
2. A narrative statement, which includes a listing of the nominee's professional accomplishment in social studies education and her/his service record to CCSS.
3. One letter of support from a CCSS Past President.
4. Application Cover Sheet
5. Maximum of 100 word biographical statement to be used in the conference program
6. Headshot photo of nominee to be used in the conference program

## **Submission of Nomination Applications and Required Materials**

Complete applications with all required materials are due to CCSS no later than 11:59pm on **December 1<sup>st</sup>**. Application materials will NOT be returned. Please retain a copy for your records. Applications and materials submitted via email must be sent to [info@ccss.org](mailto:info@ccss.org).

Only complete applications will be considered.