

Award Nomination for Individuals (the form for nominating employers is separate)

Nominee information:

Business name:

Business address:

Contact person name:

Contact person phone:

Contact person email:

Nominator information:

Name of person making nomination:

Nominator phone number:

Nominator email:

Name of business making nomination:

Address of business making nomination:

Nomination questions:

1. Tell us about the person you are nominating? Why are you nominating them? What have they done to deserve this award? Give us examples of what they do that goes “above and beyond.” How have they impacted people with disabilities?
2. **Which category are you nominating this person for?**
3. **Direct support professional:** This individual is a job coach, job developer or other worker who supports people with intellectual or developmental disabilities in supported employment. These professionals are strong advocates, supporters and communicators and honored for their work which creates success for people with disabilities every day.
4. **Governor’s Trophy - *in memory of Carolyn Blair Brown*:** This individual is a person with disabilities and who has made the world better for others with disabilities through their advocacy, services, programs or other actions.
5. **For the direct support professional:** Tell us how this person helps people with disabilities find jobs? What do they do to help people with disabilities succeed in the workplace? For example: assisting people to advance their career, creating positive change, demonstrating barrier removal skills, identifying solutions to transportation issues, helping build natural supports.
6. **For the Governor’s Trophy:** Tell us about what this person has done that impacts their community, the county, the state or the country. List any other recognition this person has received and tell us when that happened and what they did to win that recognition.

7. For either award category, submit **2 supporting documents**, such as testimonials from employees, newsletter or media articles, or letters of recommendation. These supporting documents come from people *other* than the nominator. Please note we cannot accept videos at this time.

8. **Is your nomination complete?**

Nomination form completed in SurveyMonkey

2 support documents submitted via SurveyMonkey or emailed to GCDEawards@esd.wa.gov

Next steps:

GCDE staff will contact you to obtain photos of your nominee and releases. We will also ask you for a few sentences about your nominee to be included in the awards ceremony.

Thank you for your submission!

*For more information, look at our frequently asked questions document or visit our website:

esd.wa.gov/GCDE/projects/awards