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School Relations Tip #13

Magna Awards

The Magna Awards is a national recognition program co-sponsored by American School Board Journal, the National School Boards Association, and Sodexo School Services that honors school board best practices and innovative programs that advance student learning. For the past 16 years, the Magna Awards panel of independent judges has reviewed programs that showcase school district leadership, creativity, and commitment to student achievement. Magna nominations are judged according to three enrollment categories (under 5,000 enrollment; 5,000-20,000 enrollment; and over 20,000 enrollment) with one Grand Prize Winner in each category. Each Grand Prize Winner receives a \$4,000 contribution from Sodexo School Services. There are five additional winners and five honorable mention winners within each enrollment category. **October 31, 2009 is the application deadline.**

If you have been working closely with your local Board of Education on helping to improve student achievement in your county, bring this award to their attention. They may not be aware of the opportunity or they may not have the time or staff to complete the application. This is where you can strengthen your school partnership. Be prepared to provide your time to assist in the process. This is an ideal way to bring recognition to your school board and appreciation for your efforts at the same time.

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