



*The UIL
Sponsor
Excellence
Award*

for outstanding service to students through UIL activities



UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE
MAKING A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

THE UIL SPONSOR EXCELLENCE AWARD

“The benefits of interscholastic competition and student performance are made possible by dedicated directors, sponsors and coaches. The University Interscholastic League salutes all these committed teachers and recognizes the excellent award winners as deserving representatives of countless other outstanding educators.”

— Bill Farney, UIL Director

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♦ *Purpose of the Award*

The University Interscholastic League seeks to highlight the contribution of sponsors of UIL scholastic competition. This award is created to identify and recognize outstanding sponsors who assist students in developing and refining their extracurricular talents to the highest degree possible within the educational system while helping them to keep their personal worth separate from their success or failure in competition.

♦ *The Award*

Each sponsor nominated for the state judging will receive a certificate from the University Interscholastic League. The award winners (up to fifteen) will receive a \$1000 cash award and an appropriate symbolic memento.

♦ *Nominations*

Nominations are made by peers or members of the community in one of three categories: academic contest sponsors, athletic coaches, and music and one-act play directors. Principals are encouraged to consider staff members from each category. The nominees must have sponsored high school UIL activities for no less than five years.

♦ *Procedures*

The high school principal should initiate a process to select one outstanding nominee. Only one nominee from each high school may be sent to the state judging committee.

The nominees must be recommended by the high school principal and the superintendent. The superintendent of schools will send the nomination to the UIL Sponsor Excellence Award Committee, Box 8028, Austin TX 78713-8028, and **postmarked no later than November 1.**

Nomination forms may be completed in several ways. Information may be typewritten, printed and affixed to the nomination form or may be computer generated to produce a facsimile of the original. Use only the space provided. **Addendums will not be accepted.** Questions may be addressed to Richard Floyd at (512) 471-5883.

♦ *Criteria*

Criteria which will be considered in the selection process will include:

1. Accomplishments of UIL participants as a result of the sponsor's leadership over a five year period.
2. Indications that the sponsor made maximum use of existing resources and students' aptitude.
3. Principals' recommendation of the sponsor as an effective teacher in non-UIL classroom activities.
4. A statement regarding the relative importance of competitive activities in the sponsor's personal educational philosophy.
5. The desire to recognize sponsors from each of the three categories of UIL activities.

♦ *Judging*

The Director of the University Interscholastic League will appoint a Committee of active and retired sponsors, administrators and other knowledgeable persons who will select the recipients of the awards.

♦ *Notification of Winners*

Winners will be announced in December.

♦ *Award History*

These awards were originally made possible by a grant from the Effie and Wofford Cain Foundation, in honor of Mr. Frank W. Denius who has been a director of the Cain Foundation since 1955 and Executive Committee Chairman from 1983 to the present time. Mr. Denius has been honored as one of Ten Most Decorated Veterans in World War II. Honors include the Silver Star, Purple Heart, 1945 Presidential Unit Citation, European Theater Ribbon with Five Battle Stars, and English Victory Ribbon. Mr. Denius has served his community unselfishly in civic, business, religious, governmental, charitable, and educational endeavors. He is listed in *Who's Who in America*, *Who's Who in American Politics*, *Who's Who in Commerce and Industry*, *Who's Who in the South and Southwest*, and *Who's Who in Texas*. He served as Chairman of the Board, President, and CEO of the Southern Union Company prior to its sale in February 1990.

UIL SPONSOR EXCELLENCE AWARD NOMINATION FORM

For this nomination to be considered, the nominator **must comply** with the following instructions:

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| 1. Only teachers who have sponsored UIL activities for 5 or more years are eligible. | 5. The nomination must be approved by the superintendent who will mail one completed copy to: UIL Sponsor Excellence Committee, Box 8028, Austin TX 78713-8028. |
| 2. Nomination form may be completed in any legible form. | 6. The nomination form must be postmarked no later than November 1. |
| 3. Use only the space provided. Addendums will not be accepted. | 7. Only one nomination form from a high school will be accepted by the state judging committee. |
| 4. The high school principal must complete the principal's recommendation section. | |

Name of Nominee _____ Home Phone (____) _____
Home Address _____ High School _____
Home City/Zip _____

Please indicate the single category where nominee has been most involved as a UIL sponsor/coach/director.

- academics/one-act play athletics music

Activities sponsored and number of years:

1. Nomination statement. List specific examples of incidents or activities that support this nomination.

2. List specific examples of accomplishments of UIL participants as a result of sponsor's efforts.

3. List examples of sponsor's success in achieving maximum results from resources available.

4. Nominee states his/her philosophy of competition in the school's basic educational mission.

5. Superintendent's or principal's recommendation.

Principal's Name _____

Principal's Signature _____

School Phone _____

Superintendent's _____

High School _____

School Address _____

City/Zip _____

Signature _____