



**NAESP NATIONAL DISTINGUISHED PRINCIPAL® PROGRAM**  
**A Program to Recognize Excellence in School Leadership**

**2022 NOMINATION APPLICATION**

Nominee’s Name \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee’s School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Configuration \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

School Type:  Urban  Suburban  Rural  Small Town School Enrollment \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Years as a Principal \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator’s Name/Address/Phone/E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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Relationship to Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

**Please read requirements for official application carefully:**

***Award Criteria***

The nominee:

- **Has been a member of NAESP for three consecutive years at the time of nomination and will maintain membership through the conclusion of the NAESP Award Ceremony;**
- **Is an active principal of a school in which a commitment to excellence is clearly evident;**
- **Has been an active principal for at least five years;**
- **Will remain in active service in a position of school leadership during the school year in which he/she will serve as NDP;**
- **Shows a strong commitment to the principalship through active membership in professional associations;**
- **Is respected by students, colleagues, parents, and the community at large;**
- **Assumes an active role in his/her community, distinguishing himself/herself as a leader in civic, religious, or humanitarian activities;**
- **Shows strong educational leadership by setting high expectations for school staff and students; and**
- **Maintains an orderly, purposeful learning environment.**

If you are interested in applying or in nominating a candidate for the National Distinguished Principal award, please complete this form along with an attached letter (not to exceed two pages) identifying the strengths and skills that you feel make the candidate eligible for this award. **Please check with your state principal’s affiliate or sponsoring organization to determine deadlines for submission or any additional state requirements.**

*Successful candidates will be required to complete the formal application form upon notification from their state or sponsoring organization’s selection committee.*

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 Nominator’s Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Supervisor or Employer’s Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

**Return completed Nomination Application to *your state principals’ organization or your sponsoring organization.* Your state affiliate principals organization’s address can be found at [naesp.org](http://naesp.org).**