

#### 2019 Selection Criteria

ACT State Councils will consider the following from applicants:



# **Workforce Champion**

The ACT Workforce Champion has created or led a program that positively impacts their company and community through improved hiring practices, apprenticeships/internships, or community leadership.

- <u>Full-time employees</u> in any role
- Individual's program or initiative has included community partnerships (education institutions, chambers of commerce, Work Ready Community, etc.)
- Applicant includes examples of program's return on investment and its ability to be replicated as a best practice

You may submit your own application for this award, or you may submit an application on someone else's behalf. Applicants are encouraged, but not required, to be employed by a company or organization that uses the ACT® WorkKeys® National Career Readiness Certificate® (ACT® WorkKeys® NCRC®) or ACT® WorkKeys® or participates in an ACT® Work Ready Communities (WRC) initiative.



#### **Postsecondary Champion**

The ACT Postsecondary Champion is a person who assists individuals in navigating their education and career journey.

- Full-time professional making a difference for learners in their role at a postsecondary/higher education institution
- Examples of potential applicants: individuals who work in recruitment, advising, education, retention, financial aid, placement, or other student services areas

You may submit your own application for this award, or you may submit an application on someone else's behalf. Applicants are encouraged, but not required, to be employed by institutions that utilize ACT solutions, research, or data.





# K-12 Champion

The ACT K-12 Champion is an individual who has created or led a program that positively impacts their organization and community through improved readiness for college and career opportunities.

- Full-time employee at a K-12 school or district in any role
- Individual's program or initiative promotes college and career readiness
- Examples of potential applicants include teachers, counselors, support staff, principals, curriculum directors, intervention specialists, district administrators

You may submit your own application for this award, or you may submit an application on someone else's behalf. Applicants are encouraged, but not required, to be employed by institutions that have a significant percentage of students taking ACT solutions, or that require or that strongly encourage all of their students to take a college admissions assessment.



### **Student Champion\***

The ACT Student Champion is tenacious and persistent, no matter the challenge, and is prepared for life after high school with a goal in mind and a plan in place.

- High school seniors who have overcome challenges and can articulate their education and/or career actions
- At a minimum, students must have a composite ACT score of 22 on a single test date <u>OR</u> a Gold ACT® WorkKeys® National Career Readiness Certificate®

#### Students will fill out their own applications.

\*Applicants must be members of the graduating class of 2019 who have taken the ACT.

**Please note:** If you are selected, the \$500 nonrenewable scholarship will be sent directly to the postsecondary institution or program in which you are enrolled. This may include any 2- or 4-year institution or certificate program, apprenticeship program, etc.

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