



The Attorney General's Alabama Safe Schools Initiative Award of Excellence Nomination Criteria and Details



The Office of Attorney General, State of Alabama, is now accepting nominations from Alabama public and private schools for the *Alabama Safe Schools Initiative 2010 Award of Excellence*.

1. Each nomination must include: a) 2010 Nomination Form, b) detailed information on the school's participation in at least three of the judging criteria categories, and, c) one copy of the nominated school's approved School Safety Plan. Please note: Schools will be judged on all criteria; three is the minimum.
2. Each nominated school should provide a brief description of the school's participation in the judging criteria/categories (see below). Each category's description should be no more than one page in length, but may be less. Descriptions may be supplemented with photographs, news articles, and other supporting information.
3. Each nominated school should also provide at least one letter of recommendation supporting this nomination from a local law enforcement agency or local emergency response agency.

JUDGING CRITERIA

The judges' review of each school's School Safety Plan will account for up to 50% of the overall score.

The additional 50% will be comprised of the following criteria:

1. **Law Enforcement/Local Emergency Officials Collaboration (10%)** - Efforts involving your school and local law enforcement/emergency response agencies as they relate to the school's safe school planning efforts.
2. **Crisis Management Preparation/Training (10%)** - Efforts of school administration, teachers, and students to manage the school during a crisis. *Please also include any participation of your school in safe school training(s) and any efforts conducted by the Office of Attorney General. Please indicate if your school advertises the Safe School Hotline.*
3. **School Resource Officer (7%)** - Overall structure, extent of day-to-day involvement, and innovative approaches or collaborations that are utilized in the administration of your school's School Resource Officer. *Please feel free to reference specific page numbers in your School Safety Plan that may be applicable, so that our review team may note further details in your actual plan. Please indicate if your school does not have an SRO.*
4. **Substance Abuse Education and/or Random Drug Testing of Students (2%)** - Efforts to combat illegal drug, tobacco, and alcohol use among the student body.
5. **Mentoring Initiatives/Community Participation (8%)** - School-student-community outreach programs, including (but not limited to) active mentoring programs, peer-to-peer collaborative efforts, student participation in area Teen Courts, etc.
6. **Law-related Education (8%)** - Law-related and civic education classes and activities, such as "Play By The Rules", included in your school's curriculum.
7. **Other safe school innovations (5%)** - Program innovations not included in the above criteria that you wish to be considered in your application.

Nominations will be reviewed by an independent panel of judges according to these criteria.

Each *selected* school will be personally visited by

Attorney General Troy King in the Fall of 2010 for Award Presentation.

THE DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS IS FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 2010.

MAIL NOMINATIONS TO:

Attorney General Troy King ♦ 2010 Safe Schools Excellence Awards ♦ 500 Dexter Avenue ♦ Montgomery, AL 36130 * (***Note:** The correct Zip Code for overnight deliveries is 36104;

Unfortunately, we are no longer able to return the materials submitted. Applicants are, therefore encouraged to submit copies rather than original materials with the nominations.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Attorney General by calling (334) 242-7300.



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Award of Excellence

2010 NOMINATION FORM



School Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____ County _____

Grades in this school (circle applicable grades): K 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th 12th

Nomination Submitted by _____

Title _____

Name of School Principal (if different) _____ Email Address _____

School Office Phone Number _____ Principal's Extension # _____

Physical (Street) Address of School : _____

Driving Directions to this school, from Montgomery:

Name of School System (if applicable) _____

ALSDE State School Board District # _____ (Details available on-line at <http://www.alsde.edu/html/boe.asp>)

Name of System Superintendent (or if private school, name of Board President): _____

Mailing Address: _____ City _____ Zip Code _____

Daytime Phone Number: _____

Our Nomination Packet includes the following mandatory elements:

- One copy of the nominated school's School Safety Plan (public school plans must have been reviewed by the local county board of education).
- One letter of recommendation supporting this nomination from a local law enforcement agency or local emergency response agency.

Our nomination also includes the following elements (Note: At least 3 of these elements are required. Please remember that all categories are included in the judging process; include information on all that apply):

- Law Enforcement/Local Emergency officials collaboration information/details
- Crisis Management Preparation/Training section information/details
- Details on our School Resource Officer program
- Details on our school's substance abuse education and/or student random drug testing program
- Details on our school's mentoring initiatives and community participation efforts
- Details on our school's law-related education efforts
- Details about other safe school innovations involving our school

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