# The 2024 Annual Conference on Advancing School Mental Health

**Promoting Well-Being in School** 

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## **School Mental Health Award Nominations**

*Do you know an individual, team, program, or organization making a difference in the field of school mental health?* Submit your nominations by **September 30, 2024 at 11:59pm PT**.

Nominations should be external, meaning no self-nominations and no nominations for an employee of the National Center for School Mental Health (NCSMH). Nominations must include a description of the nominee's contributions to enhance policy, research, or practice in school mental health. Awardees will be recognized during the <u>Annual Conference on Advancing School Mental Health</u>.

#### Juanita Cunningham Evans Memorial Award

As an ongoing memorial to Juanita Cunningham Evans, who was instrumental in the development of the NCSMH, this annual award is given to an individual who has significantly impacted the advancement of school mental health policy, research, and/or practice.

#### **School Mental Health Champion Award**

This award acknowledges an individual for their leadership and vision related to the advancement of school mental health.

#### **School Mental Health Research Award**

This award is offered to an individual engaged in activities to promote the impact of school mental health research. The primary consideration is the impact of research on individuals, organizations, and communities such as (1) innovations that improve the uptake of best practices and evidence-informed strategies, (2) strategies for building capacity of school mental health stakeholders to make data driven decisions that champion diversity, equity, inclusion, and anti-racism, and (3) activities that influence the development of policies, practices, and programs that improve individual outcomes and/or population health. We will also secondarily consider other typical research indices (*e.g., publications, h-index, funding, quantity*).

#### **Youth and Family Partnership Award**

Youth and family partnership at all levels is essential for the success of school mental health. The NCSMH will honor one exemplary school district, organization, or school mental health program that effectively partners with youth and families in delivering quality school mental health programming. We encourage nominations for models that encompass clear frameworks/approaches for youth and family engagement, involvement, and partnership in school mental health. Nominations must include a description of the nominee site's successful partnership efforts.

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