



PAST RECIPIENTS



Kimberly High School
"Connecting Papermakers with Minimakers
Through Literacy"
(2nd place winner)



Parkview Middle School
"Peer Mentor Club"



Ellsworth High School
"Patriot's Hallway"
(2nd place winner)



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The WREA Foundation **CHALLENGE** AWARD PROGRAM



Supporting Public
Education in Wisconsin



CHALLENGE AWARD APPLICATION PROCESS

The WREA Foundation Challenge Award Program annually supports regional awards for innovative educational projects in Wisconsin.

The awards recognize:

- public school projects and educators
- students
- community participation

This is your opportunity to showcase your school's innovative educational achievements.

- Application Start Date:** November 1
Application Deadline: February 1
Winners Notification: 1st week in March
Runners-up Notification: 1st week in March
Website Posting of Winners: 1st week in April

Applications must be received **between November 1 and February 1** to be considered for the Challenge Award.

Visit the WREA website www.wrea.net/CAP

- for more information
- to view the application form
- to submit your application



Lac Du Flambeau Public Schools
"Culturally Responsive Connections"

Birchwood Schools
"Get Out There/Greening Your Math"



CHALLENGE AWARD CRITERIA

- Awards will recognize an innovative educational project operational in the last two academic years.
- Awards will contribute to an improved environment for the students, the school, or the community served by the school.
- The application must be approved by the school principal and/or superintendent.
- The individual submitting the application must have an active involvement in the project.
- Entries must include a description of the project (limited to 500 words or less), how you intend to use the money, and a photo (in gif or jpg format) of the project and/or students "in action".
- Entries that do not comply with the eligibility requirements, the award schedule, or the deadlines will be immediately disqualified.
- The entries will be reviewed by a panel composed of Wisconsin Retired Educators' Association (WREA) members.
- The school will be expected to participate in a recognition event.
- All applications must be submitted online to the WREA Foundation. (www.wrea.net/CAP)

The WREA Foundation gratefully acknowledges the financial contributions from WREA members, local units, and AMBA.



CHALLENGE AWARD INFORMATION

Five Challenge Awards

- The awards will be given in each of WREA's five Wisconsin Districts.
- A \$2000.00 award will be given to each first-place winner and a \$250.00 award to each second-place winner.
- First place winners will be recognized at WREA District meetings.
- Awards will be made to the school to support the program rather than to individuals.

Past awards have featured some of the following projects:

- Parent/Teen Driving Contract
- Youth Entrepreneurs Academy
- Mentor Program
- Culturally Responsive Connections
- The Power of Music
- School Garden
- Elementary STEM Project

Challenge Award Schedule

Awards rotate between public elementary schools, middle schools, and high schools in Wisconsin according to the following schedule:

- 2018 Elementary Schools. In the Spring of 2018, AWARDS will be presented to public elementary schools for existing innovative projects implemented in the 2016-2017 or 2017-2018 school years.
- 2019 Middle Schools. In the Spring of 2019, AWARDS will be presented to public middle schools for existing innovative projects implemented in the 2017-2018 or 2018-2019 school years.
- 2020 High Schools. In the Spring of 2020, AWARDS will be presented to public high schools for existing innovative projects implemented in the 2018-2019 or 2019-2020 school years.