



Sedalia School District Foundation

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## Distinguished Alumni Award Application Instructions

The Sedalia School District Foundation Distinguished Alumni Award has been established to recognize graduates of Smith-Cotton High School for outstanding achievements and contributions to society following graduation. These recipients reflect strong role models with strengths of character and citizenship to inspire and challenge today's students.

### Nominations

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Every generation needs heroes and role models. The Sedalia community and school district has produced many individuals who could be considered both. We are trying to identify individuals who have left a legacy and have kept education a priority in their community. The criteria for selection of this award are:

- Candidates must have graduated from Smith-Cotton High School at least 10 years prior to nomination.
- Candidates must have contributed to society, education and/or their respective communities in an exemplary manner.
- Candidates must have achieved outstanding success in any of the following areas: the arts, business, community service, humanitarian efforts, education or a profession.

### Selection Process

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1. 2023 eligibility deadline: May 17, 2023.
2. This award will be presented at a ceremony attended by the 2024 Smith-Cotton Senior Class and community members on the Friday of Homecoming Weekend which will be October 13, 2023.
3. The Foundation Alumni Committee shall receive and review each nomination.
4. In any one (1) year, no more than one (1) Distinguished Alumni Awards shall be given.
5. The Alumni Committee reserves the right to reject any or all nominations.
6. The decision of the Alumni Committee will be final and cannot be challenged.
7. Nomination form must be filled out in full. Further information such as news articles, biographies, and curriculum vitae are helpful when attached.

8. Application is in pdf fillable format. Please use application form for a synopsis of Distinguished Alumni Award nominee's career, activities, and service credentials then attach additional pages as needed.
9. All nomination forms, photos, and other materials become the property of the SSDF and will not be returned.
10. All nomination packets received by the Sedalia School District Foundation will remain in consideration for two more years. After that three-year period, the candidate must be re-nominated for consideration.
11. Send the application, a minimum of two letters of recommendation, and any other supporting documents that would enhance the application packet to the Sedalia School District Foundation.
  - a. Mail to SSDF, P. O. Box 2505, Sedalia, MO 65302-2505
  - b. Email pdf or Word files to [schfound@sedaliasdf.org](mailto:schfound@sedaliasdf.org)
  - c. Please call for other delivery options: 660-829-2562 or email [schfound@iland.net](mailto:schfound@iland.net)