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Call for Nominations: 2010 Wright Way Award

District administrators, principal colleagues, school staffs, and parents are encouraged to submit nominations for this prestigious award

In 1986, Lance Wright addressed more than 70 leaders from Denver area school districts to present the idea of establishing a professional network of vision, support, leadership and learning for principals. As its new executive director, Dr. Wright's presentation established the Colorado Principals' Center.

Over the following five years, Lance garnered the support of principals & their superintendents, sponsored events that brought school practitioners together to dialogue and learn about the craft of the principalship, and established an annual "conversation" between national and local educators. His legacy was one of promoting the elements of **creativity, reflection and collaboration**. In the early-1990's Lance Wright died at the prime of his career, and in his memory, the Colorado Principals' Center annually honors outstanding principals who exemplify his qualities and unique contributions as an educator and school leader.

Requirements for nomination include: 1) Demonstrated qualities of creativity, reflection, and collaboration; 2) District or individual CPC membership, and 3) Minimum of 5 years of experience as a principal, including the current year. Nominations must include a **nomination form** (attached), a nominating letter, and **no more than three (3) single-page letters** that address the following qualities.

Creativity: How has the nominee demonstrated creativity the practice of school leadership?

Reflection: Examples how the nominee has reflected on school leadership & instructional practices.

Collaboration: How does he/she collaborate with building & district staff, parents, and/or members of the community?

The Board of Directors will select finalists in two categories: **Elementary schools** (including K-8), **Middle and/or High Schools**. K-12 schools as well as charter and other District-supported "schools of choice" may be nominated in either category. All nominees will receive public recognition for their nomination and outstanding professional qualities.

In March finalists will be contacted to arrange a school visit to collect additional information from members of the school community. By May 1, 2010, one or two people in each category will be announced as one of the honorees. The award will be presented early in the 2010-11 SY.

Nominations must be **received on or before Monday, February 1, 2010**, and can be mailed to the address above, sent by email, or delivered in person. NOTE: Submissions by facsimile are not encouraged.

Questions and submissions may be addressed to Executive Director Jim Brickey at jim.brickey@ucdenver.edu.

The Colorado Principals' Center is a collaborative effort that involves the following organizations
School of Education & Human Development at University of Colorado Denver, Denver Area School Superintendents' Council/DASSC, Colorado Department of Education/CDE, Colorado Staff Development Council/CSDC, and Front Range BOCES

Member schools during the 2008-2009 SY included schools in the following school districts:
Adams 1/Mapleton, Adams12/Five-Star, Adams 14/Commerce City, District 50/Westminster, Aurora, Boulder Valley, Brighton/27J, Cherry Creek, Denver, Douglas County, Englewood, Elizabeth, Littleton, Sheridan, and St. Vrain.

In addition, members of the Jefferson County Administrators Association (JCAA) are 2009-2010 members.

(As of the date of this notice, membership dues for 2009-10 SY are still in the payment process.)