

NC State Improvement Project
Project Director's Exceptional Service Award
Selection Criteria

To be considered for this award

This individual exhibits, through service, a deep understanding and leadership in:

- ✓ supporting the goals of NC SIP through modeling and encouraging best practices in providing high quality professional development, or teacher preparation;
- ✓ promoting and supporting the development and use of K-12 education evidence-based practices in Literacy, Math, Co-teaching, Coaching (instructional or system coaching); and
- ✓ advancing the critical elements of implementation science to build capacity and sustainability.

Essential criteria (candidates meet these criteria to be considered)

1. Distinguished record of educating (**two or more type groups**):
 - Students with disabilities
 - Adult Learners
 - Undergraduate or graduate teacher candidates
2. Record of service:
Five or more years in one state, local education agency, or institution

Additionally,

This individual is an **Influencer** and has demonstrated, **in addition to the checked items described here, two or more** of the following numbered items:

- ✓ Visionary leadership (e.g., leading others in a long-term project, curriculum revision and execution, initiative implementation).
 - ✓ Scaling of NC SIP evidence-based practices with fidelity through the state, or a local education agency, or institution's educational programming.
1. Communicated effectively with teams and groups (i.e., furthering the understanding and support of NC SIP to various audiences, serve as torch-bearer and public promoter of NC SIP Goals and Objectives, presentations about the project sharing purposes, goals, and best practices)
 2. Developed and distributed written communication such as articles and newsletters about NC SIP's efforts
 3. Assisted groups in using data to make decisions that improve programming (e.g., data from students, professional development, parents, fidelity checks)
 4. Used research and evidence-based practices with students or adults

To nominate

Submit the 1-2-page (maximum) nomination of an individual for the **NC SIP Project Director's Exceptional Service Award**. In your written nomination, describe how the individual meets each of the required elements listed above. Use normal margins, 12-point font, and double space. Numbered articles of evidence may also be submitted if they are described and referred to within the nomination description. Along with the nominator's name, email, and phone number, submit the nomination by the deadline of **midnight January 31st**. **Only emailed nominations which follow the format described that are submitted to paula.crawford@dpi.nc.gov by the deadline will be considered.** The NC SIP Project Director's Exceptional Service Award recipient will be announced at the NC SIP Spring Network Conference.