



The **NCAGT Distinguished Service Award** is considered a lifetime achievement award. It is presented to a person from the field of education that has made outstanding contributions to the education of gifted children in North Carolina. Nominations are made by the general membership and final ballot selection is made by the NCAGT Board of Directors. Past recipients and current members of the NCAGT Board of Directors may not be nominated. Award recipients will receive a plaque of recognition and a complimentary lifetime membership (if not already a lifetime member).

1979 Cornelia Tongue 1980 Betty Stovall 1981 Dr. Leroy Martin 1982 C. Douglas Carter 1983 Dr. Lyn Aubrecht 1984 Dr. Don Russell 1985 Dr. Don Hayes 1986 Dr. Linda Weiss Morris 1987 Dr. James J. Gallagher 1988 Dr. Judy Grissom 1988 Betty Ford	1989 Dr. Judy Grissom 1990 Dr. Jim Bray 1991 Dr. Wesley E. Guthrie 1992 Ann Harrison 1993 Gail Smith 1994 Sylvia Lewis 1995 Dr. Ray Brayboy 1995 Dr. Mary Ruth Coleman 1996 Dr. Henry Johnson 1997 Susan K. Lamar 1998 Dr. Judith Howard	1999 E. Lowell Harris 2000 Faye Riner 2001 Dr. Linda Robinson 2002 Dr. Glenda B. Crawford 2003 Dr. Rebecca Garland 2004 Dr. Joseph O. Milner 2005 Ann Barr 2006 Dr. Shelagh A. Gallagher 2007 Dr. Peter C. Gorman 2008 Nancy McBryde 2009 Dr. Brenda Romanoff	2010 Dr. Chris Godwin 2011 Dr. Barbara Mize 2012 Dr. Elissa Brown 2014 Dr. Jim Brooks 2015 Dr. Rick Courtright 2016 Dr. Elizabeth Fogarty 2019 Margaret Crawford 2020 Dr. Michael Matthews 2022 Dr. Brian Housand 2023 David Mense
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You may nominate as many persons as you feel should be considered. Please include a biographical description for each nominee. A biographical sketch is not as critical as a descriptive narrative detailing the services and contributions the individual has made by advocating for gifted education in North Carolina.

Nomination Form

Please complete this [Nomination Form](#) for the person you wish to nominate.

Nomination Form must be completed before midnight **December 15, 2026.**

Please contact the Awards Committee at awards@ncagt.org should you have any questions about the applications or submission process.