Master in the Middle Award

Purpose:
NELMS seeks to honor **teachers** who are devoted to young adolescents, committed to best middle practices and who have taught for 4 or more years.

Criteria:
- Passionate about middle level education
- Currently teaches middle level students
- Serves as an educational leader
- Advocates for middle level community
- Provides formal/informal mentoring to colleagues
- Models effective middle level instructional practices, such as:
  - Incorporating activity-based learning
  - Developing a sense of student ownership in their learning
  - Integrating higher order thinking
  - Fostering curriculum connections
  - Using a variety of assessment tools
  - Building relationships with students and families

Application Process:
The nominator must collect the following and submit all materials electronically to nelms@nelms.org by **February 1**.
- The nominator must address in writing how the nominee meets the criteria stated above in 500 words or less.

Recognition:
Those who receive an award will be honored at the NELMS Annual Conference during our Awards Reception, recognized in MidLines, receive $100 off the two-day registration to the conference, and be featured on the website.

Person Nominated _____

School Name _____

School Address _____ City/State/Zip_____

Phone # (home) _____ (school) _____

Name of Nominator _____

Nominator's Email _____

Principal's Signature_____

Upon submission of this application, the school principal will be contacted by NELMS.

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