

Emerging Dietetic Leader Award (EDL)

Applications are due March 3, 2026

The Emerging Dietetic Leader Award recognizes the competence and activities of dietitians, regardless of their age, who have made distinctive contributions early in their dietetics careers to the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.

Criteria for Selection

1. Member of the Oregon Academy
2. Initial practice experience not less than 5 years and not greater than 10 years. Interrupted careers or time periods not in practice, are not to be considered or rationed into the 5-10 years of professional practice experience.
3. Active participation in the national, state, or district association for at least 5 years.
4. Is a Registered Dietitian or Dietetic Technician, Registered.
5. Not previously selected as an RYDY or RDTY.
6. Demonstrated concern for the promotion of optimal health and nutritional status of the population.
7. Demonstrated leadership, e.g., in legislation, research, education, management, etc., in the Association, community or employment.

Procedure for Selection

1. Oregon Academy selects one recipient each year.
2. The complete responsibility for the selection of the recipient rests with the affiliate association.
3. Nomination packets must be completed **in accordance with the directions** provided.
4. The Awards chair will review all nominations to ensure packets are complete and candidates meet the specified criteria.
5. Screened nominations are sent to the Oregon Academy selection panel by no later than March 10 with a return review date of no later than March 31.
6. The Awards chair will identify the nominee with the highest score.

Action Following Selection

1. The award will be presented at the Oregon and Washington State Academy Conference.
2. A letter will be sent to the recipient's identified supervisor and posted on social media channels.
3. An article in the Oregon Academy newsletter will highlight the accomplishments of the recipient.
4. A certificate of recognition will be sent to the submitter together with a congratulatory letter from the President of the Academy.
5. Recipients attending the Food & Nutrition Conference & Expo™ (FNCE®) the following fall may pick up a ribbon for their badge at the ribbon booth near registration.
6. The list of recipients for the year will be [published on the Academy website](#).

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The nominee or a designated person will have completed the online [application form](#) by **March 3, 2026**.

Please note that the online application includes uploading the candidate's CV/resume and a letter of recommendation.

- Please carefully name the uploaded CV and letter of recommendation – start with the candidate's last name.

Submission checklist (for completion by March 3, 2026).

- ☐ Complete Online Application: <https://forms.gle/EU8KNqwxPZ5XWKUG6>