

Georgia Science Supervisor Leadership Award

Purpose:

To honor a science supervisor who has demonstrated outstanding leadership, innovation, and commitment to advancing high-quality science instruction and student achievement in Georgia.

Eligibility:

- Must serve in a district or regional level leadership role in Georgia, overseeing science instruction in a K–12 educational institution. *The GSSA Executive Board may consider non-traditional leadership support roles for nomination and selection.
- Must have at least 3 years of experience in a science leadership support position.
- Must be a current paid member of the Georgia Science Supervisors Association (GSSA).

Criteria for Selection:

Nominees will be evaluated based on evidence of excellence in the following areas:

Instructional Leadership

Demonstrates a clear vision for high-quality science instruction aligned to the Georgia Standards of Excellence (GSE). Leads initiatives that improve teacher capacity and student achievement in science. Models and promotes best practices in 3D science teaching and learning.

Innovation and Program Development

Develops and implements creative programs, tools, or resources that enhance science education. Promotes integration of STEM, literacy, technology, or other interdisciplinary connections. Demonstrates leadership in leveraging data or research-based practices to drive improvement.

Professional Learning and Capacity Building

Designs and delivers impactful professional learning experiences for teachers and/or administrators. Builds leadership capacity among science educators within their district or region. Actively contributes to statewide learning networks and professional communities.

Access

Champions access to high-quality science opportunities for all students. Demonstrates efforts to close opportunity gaps and support underserved schools or communities.

Collaboration and Advocacy

Fosters partnerships with external organizations, community stakeholders, or higher education. Advocates for science education funding, policy, or recognition at the district or state level.

Service to GSSA and Science Education in Georgia

Actively participates in GSSA initiatives or leadership. Contributes to the advancement of science education beyond their own district.

Nomination Process:

Nominations may be submitted by peers, district leaders, or self-nomination.

Each nomination must include:

- Completed nomination form
- One-page letter of support
- Resume or CV of the nominee
- Evidence/artifacts aligned to selection criteria (optional, max 5 pages)