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BURTON W. MARSH AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Purpose

The purpose of the award is to recognize an individual who has contributed to the advancement of ITE over a period of years in an outstanding fashion. Burton W. Marsh was “Mr. ITE.” He was a Founder, Past President, and former Executive Secretary of ITE. For more than 50 years, Burt was one of the most active ITE members, providing sage and friendly counsel and always willing to pitch in and do more than his fair share. He was a pioneer in urban traffic engineering and recognized early on the importance of traffic safety programs that incorporated the driver, the vehicle, and the roadway elements.

Eligibility

Any ITE member who has shown dedicated service to ITE and the profession of transportation. The service must be broad in scope and extended over a period of several years. Officers and Directors of ITE are not eligible while on the International Board of Direction.

Award

The award will consist of a trophy or plaque, given at the ITE Annual Meeting and Exhibition Awards Luncheon along with a free registration to the meeting and a guest ticket to the Awards Luncheon.

Selection Process

The selection is made by a committee of the most recent ITE Past Presidents. The judges will identify candidates and may also consider suggestions of candidates from members. Only one recipient will be named annually, and an award need not be presented every year. Posthumous awards may be made. Once the recipient is chosen, he/she is encouraged to prepare a paper to be published in *ITE Journal* on the subject of the contribution which served as the primary basis for the award or on a related subject.

Nominations are not submitted for this award, rather a recipient is chosen by the committee members.

THEODORE M. MATSON MEMORIAL AWARD

Purpose

The purpose of the award is to recognize an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the practice of traffic engineering. Examples of contributions might involve a practical application of traffic engineering techniques or principles, a valuable contribution through research, the successful adaptation of research findings to a practical traffic situation, or the advancement of the profession through training or administration.

Eligibility

The individual does not need to be an ITE member but should have shown outstanding accomplishments in the field of traffic and transportation engineering. Officers and directors of ITE are not eligible while on the International Board of Direction.

Award

The award will consist of a trophy or plaque, given at the ITE Annual Meeting and Exhibition Awards Luncheon along with a free registration to the meeting and a guest ticket to the Awards Luncheon.

Selection Process

Award recipients shall be selected by a panel consisting of six members, made up of representatives designated by the following groups:

- Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE)
- American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO)
- Transportation Research Board (TRB)
- Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
- Intelligent Transportation Society of America (ITS America)
- WTS

The recipient will be expected to prepare a paper to be published in *ITE Journal* on the subject of the contribution which served as the primary basis for the award or on a related subject.

Nominations are not submitted for this award, rather the recipient is chosen by a selection panel.

WILBUR S. SMITH DISTINGUISHED TRANSPORTATION EDUCATOR AWARD

Purpose

The purpose of this award is to recognize an educator (typically a professor) who has made an outstanding contribution to the transportation profession by relating academic studies to the actual practice of transportation. The award seeks to recognize transportation educators that help their students advance their professional development, enhance their opportunities to network with practicing transportation professionals, and become active participants in the profession.

Eligibility

1. The nominee must be or have been employed by an accredited college/ university to teach undergraduate and/ or graduate courses in transportation.
2. The nominee must have provided students with the opportunity to relate their coursework in transportation with the actual practice of transportation. The following list includes examples of such programs:
 - a. Visits to agencies and firms
 - b. Guest lecturers
 - c. Participation in meetings of transportation associations
 - d. Exposure to current transportation policy issues
 - e. Encouraging and helping to identify opportunities for part time and/or summer employment.
 - f. Undertaking community service projects to address current transportation issues.
3. The nominee should have provided students with knowledge, skills, and values, which as professionals will allow them to anticipate needs and harness innovative, cost-effective technologies to solve future problems.

Award

The award will consist of a trophy or plaque, given at the ITE Annual Meeting and Exhibition Awards Luncheon and a free registration to the meeting along with a guest ticket to the Awards Luncheon, and recognition in *ITE Journal*.

Submission Process

Required Submission Materials The nomination should include the following required documentation:

1. A two-page (minimum) statement addressing how the nominee meets the eligibility criteria using specific examples as support.
2. The nominee's CV or comprehensive resume.
3. Any additional documentation is optional.
4. Nominations must be submitted electronically as one PDF by March 1 [via https://ite-awards.secure-platform.com/a/](https://ite-awards.secure-platform.com/a/). If you have questions, please email awards@ite.org.

Judging

The award recipient shall be decided by a selection panel—and a voting Secretary who will be an ITE staff member—of six members made up of representatives designated by the following groups:

- American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO)
- The Eno Center for Transportation, Inc.
- Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
- Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE)
- Transportation Research Board (TRB)

Judging Criteria

- **25 points** – Significance of student exposure to transportation experience
- **25 points** – Demonstrated impact is shown from individual's involvement.
- **25 points** – Exhibits a commitment to the advancement of the profession.
- **25 points** – Applies innovative ideas to profession/volunteer role.

TRANSPORTATION ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Awards recognize entities for transportation programs, projects, or initiatives, not individuals.

Purpose

ITE's Transportation Achievement Awards may be given annually for excellence in the advancement of transportation to meet human needs, by entities concerned with transportation such as governmental entities including Tribes, legislative bodies, consulting firms, and other industry organizations.

Awards will be presented in the following five categories:

- Complete Streets
- Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO)
- Traffic Engineering
- Planning
- Safety

The Transportation Achievement Awards recognize an organization/entity for one or more of the following:

1. Development of an innovative concept in the areas of Complete Streets, TSMO, Traffic Engineering, Planning, or Safety.
2. Implementation of a challenging transportation program through perseverance in its development and promotion.
3. A program or project having a significant effect on transportation.
4. A multi-faceted transportation program or project, combining many innovative and/or well-applied concepts.
5. A program or project promoting a major advancement in the efficiency and/or economy of transportation.
6. Projects and initiatives that advance safety for *all* the travelling public, including pedestrians, cyclists, and users of alternate means of transport.
7. Innovative and effective application of elements such as roundabouts or speed humps.

Eligibility

Eligible recipients for the proposed Transportation Achievement Awards could be:

1. Governmental agencies or entities, including Tribes
2. Transportation consulting firms
3. Private businesses or corporations
4. Combined public/private institutions
5. Academic institutions

Award

Award will consist of a trophy or plaque, given at the ITE Annual Meeting and Exhibition Awards Luncheon, as well as recognition in *ITE Journal*.

Submission Process via District Awards Coordinator

All nominations for ITE's Transportation Achievement Awards **must be** submitted by your ITE [District Awards Coordinator](#). The submittal should be in PDF format and limited to a total of five (5) pages that describe the achievement (including graphics) and indicate how the nominee's project/program/initiative meets the criteria for the award. The submission should assist the award committee in evaluating the nominee's accomplishment against the judging criteria. Multiple categories may be selected when entering a submission; however, entrants may only be recognized in one category.

To be considered for recognition, District Awards Coordinators must submit nominations as one PDF **by April 1** via <https://ite-awards.secure-platform.com/a/>. If you have questions, please email awards@ite.org. **NOTE:** There should be **only one submission per District per category**. ITE members should submit nominations to your District Award Coordinator by **March 1**. District Coordinators should upload nominations to ITE's awards portal by **April 1**. **ONLY District Awards Coordinators will have access to the submission site.**

Judging

Nominations are evaluated by a committee comprised of ITE Board members—the Transportation Achievement Awards Committee and Council chairs.

Judging Criteria

- **30 points** – Application of innovative ideas
- **30 points** – Exhibits a commitment to the advancement of the profession
- **30 points** – Strong applicability to the industry
- **10 points** – Well-balanced scope and format

YOUNG MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD

This Award is bestowed upon an individual who has been identified as one of ITE's Young Leaders to Follow. There are two paths to consideration for the Young Member of the Year Award.

Purpose

ITE recognizes that to advance and promote the transportation industry, we must cultivate and recognize the up-and-coming talent and future generation among our ranks. To that end, ITE promotes two programs to help identify and recognize the best and brightest transportation professionals 35 years old or younger who have demonstrated leadership and innovation within the transportation industry: **Young Leaders to Follow** and **District Rising Stars**.

ITE's Young Leaders to Follow Program

For this program, anyone with ITE member credentials may nominate a transportation professional meeting the criteria outlined below through ITE's awards portal. This includes employers, peers, or self-nomination. A selection committee reviews all eligible submissions and chooses a class of 20 Young Leaders to Follow (which automatically includes each District Rising Star).

ITE's District Rising Stars Program

For this program, each District selects one Rising Star from among their respective District membership. [District Awards Coordinators](#) then enter one official entrant into ITE's Rising Stars program. To promote uniformity, ITE encourages its Districts to use the criteria outlined below to choose their recipient. District Rising Stars are integrated into ITE's Young Leaders to Follow Program and are eligible to win the Young Member of the Year Award.

The following information outlines the nomination process, required application materials, and judging criteria for both the Young Leaders to Follow Program and the District Rising Star Program.

YOUNG LEADERS TO FOLLOW PROGRAM

Purpose

Each year, ITE will recognize a class of 20 Young Leaders to Follow. Eligible candidates for this program include any active ITE member who is 35 years old or younger on January 1, 2023. Individuals selected as the Rising Star in their District will automatically be included in this group for the current year. One of these individuals will be selected as the Young Member of the Year and will be recognized at ITE's Annual Meeting and Exhibition.

Eligibility for Consideration

Nominees must meet the following eligibility requirements to qualify for selection into the Young Leaders to Follow Program:

1. Must be an active ITE member.
2. Must be 35 years old or younger on January 1 of the award year.
3. Must submit all the required nomination materials outlined below via the awards portal.
4. May not have been in a previous Young Leaders to Follow Class

Nomination/Application Process

Nominations may be submitted by employers, peers, or the nominees themselves. The information and materials collected as part of the nomination package are designed to provide insight into the nominee's technical and professional experience, leadership abilities, involvement with ITE and affiliated councils and committees, and breadth of volunteer experience.

*YOUNG LEADERS TO FOLLOW (CONTINUED)***Selection Committee**

The selection committee will be chaired by the International Vice President. Members of the Selection Committee will include the Council Leadership Team Chair, Chair of *Leadership*ITE, Chair of the Younger Member Committee, and Chair of the Diversity and Inclusion Committee.

Required Materials

The following documents must be included in each submission package [via https://ite-youngleaders.secure-platform.com/a/](https://ite-youngleaders.secure-platform.com/a/).

1. Current CV or resume for the person being nominated, to include key transportation related projects as well as leadership and volunteer experience in ITE and other national or international organizations.
2. One (1) recommendation from a colleague or current or past supervisor (200-word max)
3. Examples of specific work project and ITE volunteer experience including the nominee's specific roles in each.
4. A headshot or photo
5. A shipping address if the award plaque needs to be shipped directly to the recipient.

Timeline

- **December 1** – Application/ Nomination Period Opens
- **March 15** – Application/Nomination Deadline
- **April 15** – Selection Committee Evaluation and Selection Complete
- **Early May** – Announcement of the ITE Young Leaders to Follow
- **June** – *ITE Journal* Announcement

DISTRICT RISING STARS PROGRAM**Purpose**

Each of ITE's Districts is encouraged to hold its own district-wide nomination/application process to identify and select **one** District Rising Star to represent their District. To provide guidelines and uniformity among our Districts, we have outlined the following parameters for eligibility. Because the District Rising Stars will be integrated into the Young Leaders to Follow Program, the criteria are aligned. Following are the guidelines for the District Rising Stars program.

Eligibility for Consideration

Each year's Rising Stars Class will consist of one representative from each of ITE's Districts selected by **March 1** of the current award year. Nominees must meet the following eligibility requirements to qualify for selection into the District Rising Stars Class:

1. Must be an active ITE member (student members are not eligible)
2. Must be 35 years old or younger on January 1 of the award year.
3. Nomination must be submitted by the [District Awards Coordinator](#)
4. Nomination package must include the required materials listed below.
5. The Nominee must not have been previously named as current District's Rising Star.

DISTRICT RISING STARS (CONTINUED)

Nomination Process via District Awards Coordinators

This award is designed to help ITE's Districts encourage and recognize young member engagement and leadership on a District-level. We recognize Districts may have slightly different internal processes but encourage District leadership to design a District-level nomination process that enables them to receive a pool of candidates **by March 1** from which to choose one to be your District Rising Star prior to **ITE's submission deadline of April 1**. **Note:** ITE only accepts one nomination per District, and it should be submitted only by a predetermined [District Awards Coordinator](#).

Judging Criteria

- Scope of Work/Project Experience
- Demonstrated Impact from Individual's Involvement
- Exhibits Leadership Skill
- Exhibits a Commitment to the Advancement of the Profession
- Applies Innovative Ideas to Profession/ Volunteer Role
- Involvement with ITE

Required Materials

District Rising Star entrants must submit the following required information to their [District Awards Coordinator](#)* **by March 1**:

1. The information collected from the Application Form provided by ITE to District Awards Coordinators
2. A current resume or CV that includes local and national ITE involvement as well as leadership and volunteer experience in any other professional organizations.
3. One (1) recommendation from a current or past supervisor (200-word max)
4. Three (3) examples of specific project experience with a description of the individual's role in each project (150-word max/each)
5. A headshot or photo
6. A shipping address in the event the award plaque needs to be mailed directly to the recipient.





District Awards Coordinators are responsible for submitting all of the above documents for their respective District Rising Star in electronic format via the Open Water platform at <https://ite-awards.secure-platform.com/a/> no later than April 1.

**District Awards Coordinators may distribute the form found [here](#) to collect nominations that are consistent in their content. The questions on this form will be required fields in ITE's online Awards portal and will ensure all nominations contain the relevant elements.*

2024 DISTRICT AWARDS COORDINATORS

For District, Section, and Student Awards as well as the Transportation Achievement Awards, entries should be sent to your District’s Awards Coordinator listed below by **March 1**. Once your District leadership compiles the nominations received and decides upon the official nominee for each, they will upload the information to ITE’s awards submission portal **by April 1**. Please do not send submissions or nominations to ITE headquarters or bypass your District Awards Coordinator for the following awards:

- Transportation Achievement Awards
- Section Momentum Award
- Student Chapter Award
- Daniel B. Fambro Student Paper Award
- District Rising Star
- Outstanding Section
- Student Chapter Momentum Award
- District Innovation Award

2024 DISTRICT AWARDS COORDINATORS <i>AS OF 11/14/23</i>	
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 Missouri Valley District	Professional Awards: Amanda Brauer abrauer@sccmo.org Student Awards: Kendra Miller kmiller@gbateam.com
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DISTRICT INNOVATION AWARD

Purpose

The purpose of this award is to recognize the District that, during a calendar year, has implemented an innovative program or activity focused on District Leadership or Management for the District, its Sections, and its members. This award should inspire other Districts to be creative in the ways that they engage their members and build community. This is a District-only award.

The District must be able to effectively describe the strategy that was implemented, including any background to provide for a clear understanding as to why the strategy was needed, as well as what they hoped to achieve through the program or activity, the effectiveness of the steps taken to reach the goals, and the final result achieved. Metrics should be included with submission.

Eligibility

NOTE: A District cannot receive the Award in consecutive years.

Award

The award will consist of a trophy or plaque, which will be given at the ITE Annual Meeting and Exhibition Awards Luncheon, and recognition in *ITE Journal*.

Submission Process

To enter the competition, the District must submit a narrative no longer than three pages, single spaced with no more than one page of photographs (four pages total). The award will be judged by a Committee of ITE Board members.

The [District Awards Coordinator](#) should submit nominations electronically as one PDF **by April 1** via <https://ite-awards.secure-platform.com/a/>.

Judging Criteria

- **50 points** – Overall impact on how innovative approach(es) resulted in positive changes for the District and its Sections and engaged the members.
- **10 points** – How well the metrics were achieved.
- **40 points** – Degree to which District activities are deemed innovative but applicable to other Districts.

The District with the highest composite score will be the award winner. The District president will serve as the award recipient on behalf of the District.

OUTSTANDING SECTION AWARD

Purpose

The Outstanding Section Award was initiated in 1992 and formerly called the “Section Activities Award.” It is designed to encourage ITE Sections to participate in activities that are aligned with the purpose and objectives of ITE. The award will be judged on the elements listed below.

Eligibility

To qualify for the award, a Section must submit a PDF report using the format and submission process shown below. The page limit for the report is five pages of text and one page of photos, for a six-page maximum.

To receive as many submissions as possible, ITE emphasizes that reports will be assessed on the described activities only. Sections should not be putting an excessive amount of time into the preparation of the report and its formatting. This also makes judging the submissions an easier task. **NOTE:** A Section cannot receive the Award in consecutive years.

Submission/Selection Process

All entries must be submitted digitally as a PDF to the [District Award Coordinator](#) by **March 1**. Each District will then select one winning Section entry in the International competition via <https://ite-awards.secure-platform.com/a/> by **April 1**. These deadlines allow judging to be completed in time for the award winner to be announced in conjunction with ITE’s Annual Meeting and Exhibition.

Award

The Section winning the award will be recognized at the ITE Annual Meeting and in *ITE Journal*.

Submittal Format (Annual Report)

Submittals shall follow the format of an Annual Report, summarizing the Section activities in the previous year. Do not exceed five pages in length (for text) and one additional page of photographs. Reports should address how the Section supported the overall goals and objectives of ITE, addressing key factors, including:

- **Regular Meetings (10 points)** Baseline is a minimum of six meetings annually. In this format, please list your regular member meetings:
 - Meeting # | Dates of meetings | Location (City) | Presentation/speaker:
 - Was this a joint meeting with another group(s)? Describe one or two meetings that were particularly well received by your members.
- **Student/Younger Member Support (15 points)** Describe how your Section supported your ITE Students and Younger Members last year. (i.e., scholarships, student leadership summits, mentoring, etc.).
- **Application of Technical Knowledge (10 points)** Did your Section, for example, address a local transportation issue or collaborate with industry on a project or program?
- **Networking Events (10 points)** Did your Section hold any networking events? Describe any events that would have led to a particularly meaningful experience for members.
- **K-12 STEM Outreach (10 points)** Did your Section participate in any K-12 STEM Outreach events?
- **New Member Recruitment (10 points)** Did your Section have a member recruitment event or another method of attracting potential new members?
- **Diversity and Inclusion (5 points)** How did your Section attempt to both diversify participation and encourage an inclusive environment? This can be described demographically as well as through activities that encourage the engagement of various people including, for example, Public Agencies, women, planners, and younger member communities.
- **Training/Professional Development (5 points)** Did your Section host any training events for your members or conduct an educational opportunity?
- **Field Trips/Technical Tours (5 points)** Did your Section go on any field trips or technical tours?
- **Service Projects (5 points)** Did your Section participate in any community service projects?
- **Funding Support (5 points)** Do you raise funds outside of dues and events to reinvest in your members?
- **LeadershipITE (5 points)** How does your Section support members interested in *LeadershipITE*? How does your Section integrate its Alumni?
- **Advocacy (5 points)** Did your Section engage in any activities to educate and inform members about issues, legislation, and/or regulations that might impact the transportation industry?

SECTION MOMENTUM AWARD

Purpose

This award was established in 2020 and is meant to recognize the Section that has experienced the greatest momentum (or most improvement) in the past year. Judges will prioritize submissions from newer Sections or those that have overcome struggles.

Eligibility

To qualify for the award, a Section must submit a narrative that is no longer than two pages with an additional page of photographs (no more than three pages), and can address (but is not limited to) activity in any of the following areas:

- Meetings
- Student/Younger Member Support
- Application of Technical Knowledge
- Networking Events
- K-12 STEM Outreach
- New Member Recruitment
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Training/Professional Development
- Field Trips/Technical Tours
- Service Projects
- Funding Support
- *Leadership* ITE involvement
- Advocacy.

The narrative should cover specific improvements or special efforts that Section leadership has implemented that have resulted in positive change for the Section and its members. Examples could include, but are not limited to, efforts to engage public agencies, increased attendance at meetings, and specific outreach plans to younger members. This narrative should show off how applying good ideas is bringing your Section success.

NOTE: A Section cannot receive the Award in consecutive years. A Section cannot be recognized with the Section Momentum and Outstanding Section Awards in the same year.

Submission/Selection Process

All entries must be submitted digitally as a PDF to the [District Award Coordinator](#) by **March 1**. Each District will then select one winning Section for entry in the international competition via <https://ite-awards.secure-platform.com/a/> by **April 1**. These deadlines allow judging to be completed in time for the award winner to be announced at the ITE Annual Meeting.

Award

The Section winning the award will be recognized at the ITE Annual Meeting and Exposition and in *ITE Journal*.

DANIEL B. FAMBRO STUDENT PAPER AWARD

Purpose

The Daniel B. Fambro Student Paper Award is awarded annually for a significant paper prepared by a student member of ITE. The award honors the work of Daniel B. Fambro, who was a professor at Texas A&M University and an associate research engineer at the Texas A&M Transportation Institute and passed away in 1999. In naming the award in Dan's honor, ITE recognizes his exemplary service to ITE, and his dedication to his students and the profession. The award provides ITE a means to encourage student members to conduct and report on independent and original research and investigate transportation subjects. The Dan Fambro Award recognizes outstanding accomplishment in this area and shines a spotlight on young and talented transportation researchers.

Eligibility

Any individual member of ITE who **1.)** Is a student member of ITE International and **2.)** Completed work providing a basis for the paper while a student member of ITE International.

Award

The award will consist of a trophy or plaque, given at the Annual Meeting and Exposition Awards Luncheon. A travel reimbursement of up to \$1,000 to attend the meeting as well as one free Annual Meeting Registration and a ticket to the Awards Luncheon will be given. The paper may be considered for publication in *ITE Journal*.

Submission/Selection Process

Submission

1. Papers should be submitted to the [District Award Coordinator](#). Districts then submit the most outstanding student paper from their District for consideration by a judging committee that is appointed by the Council Leadership Team and will include a member of the Transportation Education Council.
2. March 1 is the deadline to submit papers to the District Awards Coordinator. Each District Awards Coordinator will be responsible for submitting all of the above documents in electronic format via <https://ite-awards.secure-platform.com/a/> no later than **April 1**.

Paper Topic and Format

1. Must address a transportation topic.
2. Must be authored by one student author, advisors can be listed but CANNOT be co-authors.
3. Paper must be submitted in English.
4. A PDF document in 11 pt. type, with a maximum of 3,000 words. (*Tables and figures do not count against the word count.*)
5. The paper must include a title page showing the title, author's name, address, telephone number, and date, and a table of contents.

Judging Criteria

- **Originality (20 points)** – To what degree does the subject matter and conclusions treat new ideas or call for significant departure from the present state of the art? How imaginative and original was the approach? How extensive were the qualities of inventiveness and ingenuity used?
- **Significance (20 points)** – To what extent is the paper a major contribution to transportation engineering?
- **Scope and Format (20 points)** – To what degree is the paper complete in relation to its stated purpose? Is the paper well organized? Is the paper concise?
- **Validity (20 points)** – How sound are the approach techniques, data used, and the reasoning applied?
- **Applicability (20 points)** – To what degree can the conclusions reached in the paper be applied in a practical manner towards solving transportation engineering problems?

STUDENT CHAPTER AWARD

Purpose

The Student Chapter Award was designed to encourage ITE Student Chapters to participate in activities that are aligned with the purpose and objectives of ITE. The award will be judged on the elements listed below.

Submission/Selection Process

The information should be submitted as a PDF to the [District Award Coordinator](#) by **March 1**.

Each District will select an Outstanding Student Chapter for entry in the international competition. Districts may give more than one award; however, only a single entry from each District will be accepted at the international level. The award will be based on a year extending from **March 1 to February 28**. The Board of Direction Committee will select the International Award Winner. Each District Awards Coordinator will be responsible for uploading the necessary documentation via <https://ite-awards.secure-platform.com/a/> no later than **April 1**.

Award

The Chapter winning the award will be recognized at the ITE Annual Meeting and Exposition Awards Luncheon and in the *ITE Journal*. In addition, a travel reimbursement up to \$1,000 to attend the meeting as well as one free Annual Meeting Registration and a ticket to the Awards Luncheon will be given.

Submittal Format (Annual Report)

Submittals shall follow the format of an Annual Report, summarizing Chapter activities in the previous year. Do not exceed five pages in length (for text) and one additional page of photographs. Reports should address how the Chapter supported the overall goals and objectives of ITE, addressing key factors, including:

- **Chapter Administration (15 points)** Hold Regular Meetings – Baseline should be a minimum of four meetings annually, file annual report and have elected officers.
 - In this format, please list your regular member meetings: **Meeting # | Dates of meetings | Location (City) | Topic and Speaker**
 - Was this a joint meeting with another group(s)? Describe one or two meetings that were particularly well received by your members.
 - Did you file an Annual Report and include elected officers?
- **Networking Events (15 points)** Did your Chapter hold any networking events, particularly with practicing transportation professionals?
 - **Leadership Development (15 points)** What is your Chapter doing to encourage leadership development within the chapter?
 - **K-12 STEM Outreach (10 points)** Did your Chapter participate in any K-12 STEM Outreach events?
 - **Application of Technical Knowledge (15 points)** Did your Chapter address a local transportation issue or collaborate with industry on a project or program, for example. Did any of your members prepare for or present student papers for ITE Districts/Sections or other industry organizations? Were any technical papers published in the *ITE Journal* or other technical publications?
 - **New Member Recruitment (10 points)** Did your Chapter have a member recruitment event or another method of attracting potential new members?
 - **Diversity and Inclusion (5 points)** This can be described demographically as well as through activities that encourage the engagement of students from additional disciplines of study outside of the traditional transportation curriculum.
 - **Training/Professional Development (5 points)** Did your Chapter put on any training events for your members or host an educational opportunity?
 - **Field Trips/Technical Tours (5 points)** Did your Chapter go on any field trips or technical tours?
 - **Service Projects (5 points)** Did your Chapter participate in any community service projects?

NOTE: A Student Chapter cannot receive the Award in consecutive years. A Student Chapter cannot be recognized with the Student Chapter Momentum and Student Chapter Awards in the same year.

STUDENT CHAPTER MOMENTUM AWARD

Purpose

ITE established this award in 2020 to recognize a student chapter that has experienced the greatest momentum (or most improvement) in the past year.

Eligibility

To qualify for the award, a student chapter must submit a narrative that is no longer than two pages with one additional page of photographs (three pages total), and can address (but is not limited to) activity in any of the following areas:

- Chapter Administration
- Application of Technical Knowledge
- Networking Events
- K–12 STEM Outreach
- New Member Recruitment
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Training/Professional Development
- Field Trips/Technical Tours
- Service Projects
- Leadership Development.

The narrative should cover specific improvements and/or special efforts that chapter leadership has implemented and describe the positive change for the Chapter and the membership. Examples could include, but are not limited to, how you've increased attendance at meetings, broadened participation outside of traditional engineering students, or helped your members develop leadership and professional skills. This narrative should illustrate how your leadership is applying good ideas to bring your Chapter success.

NOTE: A Student Chapter cannot receive the Award in consecutive years. A Student Chapter cannot be recognized with the Student Chapter Momentum and Student Chapter Awards in the same year.

Submission/Selection Process

This should be submitted as a PDF to the [District Award Coordinator](#) by **March 1**. Each District will then submit one winning Chapter for entry in the international competition via <https://ite-awards.secure-platform.com/a/> no later than **April 1**. These deadlines allow judging to be completed in time for the award winner to be announced at the ITE Annual Meeting and Exhibition.

Award

The Student Chapter winning the award will be recognized at the ITE Annual Meeting and Exposition Awards Luncheon and in *ITE Journal*. In addition, a travel reimbursement up to \$1,000 to attend the meeting as well as one free Annual Meeting Registration and a ticket to the Awards Luncheon will be given.

EXCELLENCE IN HIGHWAY SAFETY DATA AWARD

HIGHWAY SAFETY INFORMATION SYSTEM (HSIS) STUDENT RESEARCH PAPER COMPETITION

Purpose

The goal of the Highway Safety Information System (HSIS) Student Research Paper Competition is to encourage university students to use HSIS data with the intent of introducing potential future highway safety professionals to good quality safety data; the application of appropriate research methods to derive recommendations; and the practice of using data to make decisions.

Eligibility

The HSIS Research Paper Competition is open to undergraduate and graduate students in degree-granting programs that support highway safety, including – but not limited to – engineering, planning, statistics, psychology, and economics. Participants who have graduated from a program within the six months prior to the submission date are also eligible if the paper is based on work conducted as part of the program.

- Applicant(s) must be enrolled as a graduate or undergraduate student in the 2023–2024 academic year or graduated from a university located in the U.S. during the 2023–2024 academic year. (Faculty can advise but cannot co-author.)
- Analysis must be conducted on data requested and acquired from the Highway Safety Information System (<http://hsisinfo.org/datarequest.cfm>). Data from other states or localities may be used in support of the primary analysis using HSIS data.
- Submissions by individual students or groups of students will be considered. Teams, however, must define one lead student and contributing students for the project. (Prizes reflect this requirement.) Faculty can participate in an advisory role but cannot be co-authors on the paper.

Note: The turnaround time for requested HSIS data, www.hsisinfo.org/datarequest.cfm, is normally less than two weeks; however, time needed to conduct analysis of this data varies per project. Please be sure to plan accordingly and in advance of the paper submission deadline.

All prizes – including travel reimbursements – are subject to FHWA rules, regulations, and approval at time of award.

Selection Process

A 2,500- to 5,000-word paper documenting original research must be completed and submitted along with the application no later than **March 1, 2024**.

Judging Criteria

- **Objective of paper and emphasis on safety. (10 points)** Is the objective of the paper clearly stated and relevant to the safety community? For example, using the HSIS data to model the impacts of signal spacing on capacity does not have an emphasis on safety. However, using the HSIS data to model the impact of signal spacing on crashes is a more appropriate topic.

- **Importance of HSIS data to paper topic. (20 points)** Was the use of HSIS data critical to achieving the objective of the paper? The paper should focus on the use of the HSIS and how critical it is in completing the objective of the study. HSIS data can be used in conjunction with other data sources and linked together.
- **Soundness of methodology. (20 points)** Is the approach appropriate for the data? The paper should describe and use appropriate data analysis techniques that suit the objectives.
- **Analysis of HSIS data. (40 points)** Was the analysis of the HSIS data specifically, correctly, and clearly conducted? The paper should analyze the HSIS data using the proposed statistical analysis techniques.
- **Discussion of results (10 points)** Were the results discussed appropriately? The specific findings of the analysis are not part of the evaluation criteria, as the evaluation instead focuses on the discussion of the results. For example, if a study on signal spacing found no effect on crashes, this will not affect the evaluation of the paper. The student should discuss the implications of the results, including a critical review of the methodology and the potential for future research.

Award Prizes

Award Prizes	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
Cash Prize – Each lead author of a winning team will receive a cash prize (1st place: \$1,000; 2nd place: \$500; 3rd place: \$250 United States dollars).	\$1,000	\$500	\$250
Recognition at the ITE International Annual Meeting and Exhibition July 21-24, 2024, in Philadelphia, PA. All authors will be acknowledged, and each lead author of a winning team will receive a plaque.	X	X	X
Registration to attend the ITE International Annual Meeting and Exhibition July 21-24, 2024, in Philadelphia, PA, will be provided to the lead author only.	X	X	X
Lodging (2 nights) will be provided for the lead authors of the 1st and 2nd place winning teams to attend the ITE International Annual Meeting and Exhibition July 21-24, 2024, in Philadelphia, PA.	X	X	
Roundtrip, domestic airfare will be provided for the lead author of the 1st place winning team to attend the ITE International Annual Meeting and Exhibition July 21-24, 2024, in Philadelphia, PA.	X		
Paper will be published in <i>ITE Journal</i> and/or on the HSIS website.	X		

More Information

For more information and additional guidelines, please visit <https://www.hsisinfo.org/award.cfm>.

Submissions

To submit a paper, please visit <https://ite-awards.secure-platform.com/a/>

COUNCIL PROJECT EXCELLENCE AWARD

Purpose

ITE's Council Leadership Team (CLT) provides leadership and coordination of activities across ITE's councils to help provide value to the councils' membership and the ITE membership at large. Each year the CLT will select a recipient for the Council Project Excellence Award to recognize the best technical product resulting from work developed, completed, and sponsored by a Council in the previous calendar year.

Eligibility

Examples of eligible project types include Quick Bites series, webinar series, published technical briefs, published informational reports, or adopted recommended practices.

Award

Awards will consist of a trophy or plaque given at the **ITE Spring Conference** as well as recognition in *ITE Journal*.

Selection Process

Council chairpersons (only) may recommend to Council Leadership Team chairs any projects or volunteers in their Council that they consider deserving of this award between **December 1 and January 15**.

The criteria for this award include the tenets of the GAVE culture adopted by the CLT:

- **Growth:** To what degree did the project include an element of mentorship opportunities for younger members (under 35 years old) and students?
- **Accountability:** To what degree did the team meet promised deadlines and/or clearly communicate changes in the schedule?
- **Value:** To what degree did the team consider how their project addressed ITE core focus areas of safety, all users, sustainability, resiliency, and efficiency?
- **Esteem:** To what degree did the project leader and task leaders foster a collaborative environment that included a focus on inclusion (demographically and geographically)?

JEFF LINDLEY PERSONAL AND TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE AWARD

Purpose

Given each year to one individual in recognition of their lasting contributions to the community of transportation professionals. This award encourages ITE's Councils to celebrate the efforts and contributions of their volunteers. Each of ITE's Councils may nominate one member to the Council Leadership Team chair and vice chairs for consideration between **December 1 and January 15** annually.

Nominations should consider the tenets of the GAVE principles adopted by the Council Leadership Team:

- **Growth** – How has the individual contributed to the evolution of practice?
- **Accountability** – How has the individual demonstrated ethical conduct?
- **Value** – How has the individual contributed to mentoring, diversity, equity, and inclusion through their personal actions?
- **Esteem** – How has the individual used their role to raise or reaffirm the importance of ITE's role in the community of transportation professionals?

Nominees will be announced in January.

Selection Process

The Council Leadership Team Executive Committee and the International President will select the recipient based upon the following considerations:

- **Personal Excellence**
 - Devotion of significant time to participation and/or leadership in ITE volunteer activity
 - Diligence in completing volunteer assignments within agreed upon timeframes.
- **Technical Excellence**
 - High quality work on technical activities of significant benefit to ITE members and the transportation profession

Award

The recipient will be notified in advance and announced in conjunction **with ITE's Virtual Spring Conference**. The recipient will receive a plaque or trophy and announced in *ITE Journal*.

COUNCIL IMPACT AWARDS

Purpose

The **ITE Council Impact Awards** seek to recognize individuals and organizations for outstanding contributions to the transportation industry and the communities they serve.

ITE's six area-of-practice technical councils are the technical engine of ITE, providing relevant research and resources to actively contribute to the body of knowledge in their areas of discipline.

- Complete Streets
- Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO)
- Traffic Engineering
- Planning
- Safety
- Education

Additionally, ITE has three employer councils—the Public Agency, Consultants, and Industry Councils.

ITE Councils work to advance the knowledge and practice in their disciplines, and the Council Impact Awards seek to recognize those professionals and/or organizations who have demonstrated excellence in each of the following core focus areas that align with those of our technical councils:

- Innovative activities and contributions in the practice of transportation engineering and planning
- Advancement and implementation of TSMO and ITS technologies
- Leadership and innovation in advancing traffic safety programs, initiatives, or technologies.
- Unique and successful educational programming and resources for student engagement
- Dedication and commitment to transportation in the community
- Demonstrated commitment to incorporating diversity, equity, and inclusion into all aspects of transportation.

Nomination Period: January 1-March 31, 2024

Nomination packages will be accepted beginning on **January 1**, via <https://ite-awards.secure-platform.com/a/>. The nomination period ends at 11:59 p.m. ET on **March 31**, after which time no more submissions will be accepted.

Eligibility

Individuals and/or Organizations who have made significant and impactful contributions to the transportation industry and the communities they serve, particularly in one of the core focus areas outlined above, are eligible to be nominated for a Council Impact Award. **NOTE:** Nominations should not be submitted for individual projects. Programs and initiatives may be considered. Individual projects may be considered for the **Transportation Achievement Awards**.

Council Impact Awards Submission Package Requirements

- All nominations must be uploaded via <https://ite-awards.secure-platform.com/a/>.
- Please **upload one PDF file** that includes the following information:
 - **Required:** A compelling overview describing the merits of the individual or organization, with respect to their/its contributions to transportation. Please reference the appropriate core focus areas and address as appropriate:
 - Innovative activities and contributions in the practice of transportation engineering and planning.
 - Advancement and implementation of TSMO and ITS technologies.
 - Leadership and innovation in advancing traffic safety programs, initiatives, or technologies.
 - Unique and successful educational programming and resources for student engagement.
 - Dedication and commitment to transportation in the community.

- Demonstrated commitment to incorporating diversity, equity, and inclusion into all aspects of transportation.
- Supporting documentation that details the merits of the nominated persons or organization such as a CV/resume, a detailed description of past and ongoing contributions, impact statements from the community and other professionals, letters of reference, any evidence of demonstrable results, and any relevant media/press coverage.
- Visual images such as a headshot, images, or renderings relevant to achievements/contributions, pertinent logos such as company or agency logos.

Judges

The Council Leadership Team will appoint a panel of qualified judges from the Council Leadership Team as well as each of the Technical and Employer Councils to recommend Council Impact Award recipients from the pool of nominations received.

Judging Criteria

- **25 points** – Demonstrated leadership by the individual or organization in the activities that serve as the basis for the award.
- **25 points** – Demonstrated commitment by the individual or organization to advancing the transportation profession, industry in general, and the selected technical area in particular.
- **25 points** – Demonstrated application of innovative ideas and processes.
- **25 points** – Demonstrated impact of the individual or organization’s work and applicability for use by other individuals or organizations.

Notification

Recipients selected to receive a Council Impact Award (and those who nominated them) will be notified directly by ITE in late May/early June. However, winners will not be made public until ITE’s Annual Meeting and Exposition.

Award

ITE Council Impact Award recipients will receive a trophy or plaque in conjunction with ITE’s Annual Meeting and Exposition and recognition in *ITE Journal*. **Time and place of the presentation TBD.**

Council Impact Awards + ITE Legacy Awards

All nominations for a Council Impact Award have the same requirements and judging criteria; there are no categories. However, at the judges’ discretion, a Council Impact Award may be given for the following ITE “Legacy Awards” as appropriate.

ITE Traffic Engineering Council Troy A. Peoples Award

The ITE Traffic Engineering Council Troy A. Peoples Award is given to an individual or organization who is recognized as a leader in the field of traffic engineering through their involvement with innovative activities, professional organizations, the community, or the performance of traffic engineering. It honors the legacy of **Troy A. Peoples, P.E.**, a renowned expert in Transportation Engineering and Life Member of ITE who was an innovator, leader, and mentor throughout his long career.

ITE Safety Council Edmund R. Ricker Award - Individual / Organization

The ITE Safety Council Individual Award is given to a person who is recognized as a leader in the field of traffic safety through his/her safety activities in professional organizations, in the community, or in the performance of traffic engineering. The Safety Council Organization Award is given to an

organization that has provided exemplary support for traffic safety through financial support, public relations, or other means. The award honors the legacy of **Edmund R. Ricker**, president of ITE in 1967 and author of numerous traffic safety books and research papers.

ITE Pedestrian and Bicycle Standing Committee John LaPlante Award

The ITE Pedestrian and Bicycle Standing Committee John LaPlante Award is bestowed on a project that applies innovative solutions or techniques related to pedestrian and bicycle activities. The award honors the legacy of **John LaPlante**, a Fellow and Life Member of ITE and a generous contributor throughout his 58 years of service to the organization. A pioneer in the area of complete streets and a well-known champion for pedestrian and bicycle safety, John is remembered by colleagues as working tirelessly on behalf of these causes before their importance was widely recognized.

ITE Consultants Council Nelson J. Shaffer Distinguished Consultant Award

The ITE Consultants Council Nelson J. Shaffer Distinguished Consultant Award is awarded to recognize a consultant for outstanding contributions to the transportation engineering/planning profession. **Nelson J. Shaffer** was a fellow and life member of ITE and served on the Executive Committee of the Consultants Council for almost 15 years. During his nearly 50 years of Institute membership, Nelson served as the President of the Mid-Atlantic Section (MASITE) and the Mid-Colonial District, was the Vice Chair of ITE's Advocacy Committee, and served on the International Board of Direction. The Nelson J. Shaffer Distinguished Consultant Award continues Nelson's legacy by recognizing his leadership and untiring contributions to ITE and the transportation industry.