



Michigan School Business Officials

2027 Meridian Award of Excellence Guidelines

Purpose & Intent:

The MSBO Meridian Award of Excellence is a special recognition award acknowledging successful practices in all areas of school management and education. Practices must be implemented in a district and applicants must document benefits to the district or MSBO.

Selection Process:

Recipient(s) are chosen by a selection committee comprised of one MSBO Board Member, one ISD representative, and three K-12 representatives. Selection is based on the degree to which the entry promotes and enhances the overall effective operation of a school district or MSBO.

The committee may recognize individuals or groups within various areas of specialization or professions of education.

Timeline:

- ✓ A completed application and required information must be emailed, faxed, or mailed by **January 15, 2027**.
- ✓ MSBO Meridian Award Winners recognized at the MSBO Annual Conference.

Eligibility Requirements:

- The MSBO Meridian Award of Excellence is open to any active MSBO member, school district, employee, or group of active school district employees in administrative or support areas.
- Members serving on the MSBO Board of Directors are not eligible.

Documentation:

- ☐ **Title** – Each submission must have a concise, descriptive title that conveys the content of the proposal, practice, or publication.
- ☐ **Problem** – Please provide a narrative describing what the problem, issue, or concern was that caused this practice to be developed?
- ☐ **Benefits** – Please provide a narrative describing what the measurable benefits are your school district derived from this practice.
- ☐ **Application** – Please provide a narrative describing how you believe this submission can be applied in other schools?
- ☐ **Supporting Information** – Submit supporting documentation. This may include, but is not limited to, typewritten materials, footnotes, news clippings, board minutes, financial records, charts, or audiovisual scripts.



2027 Meridian Award of Excellence Application

Nominator Contact Information: *(You may nominate yourself or another person)*

Nominator Name _____ Position/Title _____

School District/Company _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Nominee Contact Information:

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School District _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Documentation:

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☐ **Problem** – Please provide a narrative describing what the problem, issue, or concern was that caused this practice to be developed?

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☐ **Benefits** – Please provide a narrative describing what the measurable benefits are your school district derived from this practice.

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- ☐ **Application** – Please provide a narrative describing how you believe this submission can be applied in other schools?

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- ☐ **Supporting Information** – You may also submit other supporting documentation. This may include, but is not limited to, written documentation, news clippings, financial records, board minutes etc.

Entries must be emailed by January 15, 2027 to:
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