Learn about the ASTE award categories and qualities for each award

Student Awards – Categories:
Elementary School Student of the Year
Middle School Student of the Year
High School Student of the Year
Higher Education Student of the Year

Adult Awards – Categories:
Administrator
Tech Support
Teacher/Faculty
ISTE Making IT Happen Award

Award Descriptions

ASTE Teacher/Faculty of the Year Award
It is the intent of the ASTE Teacher/Faculty of the Year Award to recognize Alaskan educators currently responsible for the day-to-day instruction of PK-20 students, either building-based or classroom-based, regardless of subject matter. Nominees may include innovative classroom teachers, library media specialists, technology integration specialists, or others whose primary work with students is promoting deeper learning of academic content through the wise use of technology. To be eligible for this award, the nominee must spend at least 75% of his/her day in direct instruction.

ASTE Tech Support of the Year Award
It is the intent of the ASTE Tech Support of the Year Award to recognize Alaskans who help teachers/faculty find and use technology to support academic goals, which may include helping with hardware. Nominees may include technology integration specialist, instructional web support, database
integration support, or others who work behind the scenes to support educators who work directly with students. To be eligible for this award, the nominee must spend less than 75% of his/her day in direct instruction.

**ASTE Administrator of the Year Award**
It is the intent of the ASTE Administrator of the Year Award to recognize Alaskans who lead schools/organizations in the innovative use of technology to support academic goals. Nominees may include PK-12 school principals or district administrators, as well as directors or department heads of colleges or universities. To be eligible for this award, the nominee must be a full or part-time supervisor of educators who are working to implement innovative or transformational technology-infused instructional practices.