

Lois Hole Memorial Literacy Awards

The Centre for Family Literacy established these awards to honour individuals, organizations or businesses that have demonstrated a commitment to literacy in Alberta. The awards are named after the Centre's Honorary Patron, the Late Honourable Dr. Lois Hole.

Award Categories

1. Lois Hole Adult Learner Award

Outstanding individual in one of the Centre's adult or family literacy programs who has shown a commitment to his/her own learning and/or that of his/her child (ren).

An individual being nominated from the adult literacy program must have been active in the program for at least six (6) months. An individual being nominated from a family literacy program must have participated in more than one family literacy program or participated in a family literacy program for at least six (6) months.

Nominations will be judged on all of the following selection criteria:

- Personal history including challenges faced
- Attitude towards learning including dedication, perseverance and commitment
- Personal progress and impact of literacy learning

2. Lois Hole Community Leadership Award

Outstanding individual, business or group who reflects the Centre's mission and values and has, through their efforts, demonstrated an ongoing commitment to family literacy in Alberta.

Nominations will be judged on one or more of the following selection criteria:

- Shown leadership in family literacy activities
- Raised funds for family literacy programs or organizations
- Developed innovative family literacy materials
- Increased public awareness of family literacy issues
- Encouraged family literacy in the community or workplace

Past recipients of a Lois Hole Award are ineligible for consideration. However, nominees who have been previously nominated

and did not receive an award are eligible for re-nomination.

How you can nominate someone for a Lois Hole Award

Nominations must be completed on one of the official Nomination forms attached to these guidelines. All nominees must consent to being nominated and must sign the nomination form.

Nominations for the Adult Learner Award require the signature of two supporters. The nomination form for a student from the adult tutor program must have the signature of their tutor. The nomination form for a participant from a family literacy program must have the signature of the program's facilitator or coordinator.

In addition, please provide a letter of nomination not to exceed 500 words. The nomination letter should highlight the achievements of the nominee against the selection criteria and include the following:

- The reasons you believe the nominee deserves the award;
- The nominee's activities that relate to the award category;
- The amount of time the nominee has dedicated to literacy;
- Any additional information that demonstrates the outstanding efforts of the nominee.

Closing Date for Nominations

All nomination material must be received at the Centre for Family Literacy by **4:30 p.m. November 4, 2011**

In order to meet the deadline, nominations may be faxed in advance of sending an original signed hard copy of the nomination materials. The original signed hard copy of the nomination material must be received within a week of the closing deadline for a faxed nomination to be accepted. Please refer to the official Nomination form for details of the mailing address and fax number for submitting nominations.