

APPLICATION

THE HENRY SALVATORI PRIZE FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

HILLSDALE COLLEGE announces the Henry Salvatori Prize for Excellence in Teaching to honor outstanding men and women in the field of elementary and secondary education. Endowed by the late Henry Salvatori, this competition is open to all public and private school teachers whose teaching reflects the principles set forth in the *Hillsdale Academy Reference Guide*. The \$25,000 annual award will be presented to the winning school at a Hillsdale College seminar.

Please select one teacher to complete the requested information on behalf of your school. Answers should be typed on separate sheets of paper and limited to a maximum of four double-spaced pages with the teacher's name, address, and home and office telephone numbers on each page. Supporting documents are welcome, and teachers are encouraged to include personal examples whenever appropriate. The application should be submitted between December 1 and February 1.

A panel of judges will review all admissions and select two finalists by May 1. Site visits will be made during the month of May by a representative of the panel. You will be notified of the College's final decision by June 1.

Due to the number of responses, please keep copies of your application for your files. We regret that we cannot return any submissions.

I. Academic Portfolio

A. Teaching Development

How are the principles set forth in the *Hillsdale Academy Reference Guide* reflected in your teachers' instructional methods and content?

B. Student Performance

Describe how these principles have changed your students' performance. This change should be documented whenever possible. You may wish to submit test results or student essays.

C. School Enhancement

How has your use of these principles influenced the overall attitude of the faculty and students toward learning?

II. Morals and Standards

A. Morals

An important component of the *Hillsdale Academy Reference Guide* stresses moral integrity among students. Give us an anecdotal summary of how the teaching and culture at your school influence your students' character and development as responsible citizens. For example, adoption of a dress code may improve self-respect; use of an honor code may promote individual character.

B. Standards

How are the principles set forth in the *Hillsdale Academy Reference Guide* reflected in the established standards for your academic program? Please share information you believe supports these standards, such as monthly citizenship awards, voluntary and community service by students, or a peer-tutoring program. Include any letters of recommendation from outside sources that you deem helpful.

III. Institutional Vision

A. Mission Statement

Quote your school's mission statement. How does this statement have a direct impact on your students?

B. Strengths

Identify your school's salient strengths. How has the application of the principles set forth in the *Hillsdale Academy Reference Guide* helped?

C. Weaknesses

Identify your school's prevailing weakness(es). How might the principles found in the *Hillsdale Academy Reference Guide* help?

IV. General Information

Please complete the following sections as concisely as possible. If necessary, use additional sheets of paper to answer questions. Thank you.

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TEACHER: _____

GRADE: _____ NUMBER OF YEARS SERVED IN THE TEACHING FIELD: _____

SCHOOL: _____ YEAR ESTABLISHED: _____

ADDRESS: _____ PUBLIC PRIVATE

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____ PHONE: _____ SCHOOL CELL

Student-to-teacher ratio: _____ Grades served: _____ Student body: _____

Number of administrators: _____ Total support staff/administration/faculty: _____

Annual tuition: _____ Do you request a deposit in advance? YES NO

Does your school administer an entrance examination? YES NO

What is your policy toward transfer students? _____

Does your school have an endowment? YES NO Amount of endowment: _____

Does your school allocate scholarship money? YES NO Amount of scholarships: _____

What comprises your core curriculum? *(Please attach a copy of your Course Description Booklet if available)*

What percentage of your school's students go on to attend a four-year college? _____

Does your school require additional training and education of faculty beyond certification? YES NO

Does your school assist with costs for advanced schooling for its teachers? YES NO



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