

Supes' Choice Award Categories

Innovator of the Year

Although all entries will highlight new ways of helping students, families, and educators, the winner of this award will provide an inspiring pathway for truly making a difference, especially during a challenging time.

K-12 Newcomer Award

While it wasn't an easy time to launch a new edtech solution, many intrepid entrepreneurs saw an opportunity to serve K-12 students in a new way, and this award recognizes their courage and vision.

Best Pivot on a Dime

Almost every company has adjusted their product or service in some way during the pandemic, and this award will recognize an inspiring story that demonstrates exceptional agility, resourcefulness and adaptability in supporting school districts.

Equity and Anti-Racism Champion

Every student should feel like they belong in their learning community, and the winner of this award is helping schools create an inclusive, equitable, and honest environment

STEM / STEAM Instructional Solution

This award will recognize a solution that provides students with experiential learning and the opportunity to collaborate, persist in problem solving, take thoughtful risks, and work through the creative process.

Literacy Instructional Solution

New ideas for helping students learn and master literacy are critical foundations for many other areas of learning, and this award will recognize an intentional approach to ensuring literacy for all.

Critical Thinking Instructional Solution

Now more than ever, encouraging students to objectively analyze and evaluate data, ideas, and opinions will help them navigate issues—from local to global, and this award will recognize a solution that nurtures critical thinking.

College and Career Readiness Solution

The abundance of resources available to help students prepare for vibrant lives after high school is better than ever, and this award will go to a solution that is providing seamless pathways to college and careers.

Virtual Instructional Solution

Whether offered as a private school or through a school district, virtual schools are offering families with a dynamic option for learning that offers flexibility without sacrificing rigor, and this award recognizes an inclusive virtual school solution.

SEL Solution of the Year

The mental health of our students is more vital than ever, and solutions that help them navigate social and emotional landscapes provide pathways for academic learning as well.

Keeping Kids Safe Award

This award recognizes solutions that help protect students as they navigate an online environment, and includes initiatives for cyber security, physical safety, and food security.

Most Innovative PD Solution

Providing teachers and administrators with engaging, flexible opportunities to understand current best practices and learn new digital learning solutions is critical to the success of any partnership, and this award recognizes exceptional professional development.

Communications and Family Engagement

Districts are relying on nimble solutions that help them upgrade their communications strategies to meet families where they are, and this award goes to communication partners who provide in-the-moment ways to connect.

Operations Solution

Many school district heroes operate behind the scenes to provide in-person, hybrid, and virtual learning experiences, and they rely on robust solutions that help them keep every student, every family, and every teacher connected in real time.

HR / Finance Solution

This award recognizes solutions that help districts recruit and retain talented educators and support staff, and also manage complex budgets for long-term sustainability.

1. Innovator of the Year
2. K-12 Newcomer Award
 - a. Most promising New K-12 solution
 - b. must be first district partnership in the 2020-2021 school year
3. Best Pivot on a Dime
4. Equity and Anti-Racism Champion
5. STEM / STEAM Instructional Solution
6. Literacy Instructional Solution
7. Critical Thinking Instructional Solution
8. College and Career Readiness Solution
9. Virtual Instructional Experience

- 10. SEL Solution of the Year
- 11. Keeping Kids Safe Award
 - a. Digital safety
 - b. Food security
 - c. Physical safety
- 12. Most Innovative PD Solution
- 13. Communications and Family Engagement
 - a. Robust communications plan
 - b. Reaching families where they are
- 14. Operations Solution
 - a. HR/Finance Solution
 - b. Device deployment
 - c. SSO