



LAS POSITAS
COLLEGE

Academic Senate

Date: May 14, 2025

To: Las Positas College Faculty

From: Ashley McHale, LPC Academic Senate President-Elect

Re: Reed Buffington Award Nominations

The Reed Buffington Award for Professional Excellence is the highest honor given to a member of the faculty for outstanding achievement in the field of teaching. The recipient receives a commemorative plate and award of \$2500.

Full-time faculty who have been in the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District for ten or more years are eligible for nomination. The award alternates each year between Chabot and Las Positas faculty.

Attached you will find the nomination form and information about the award. Please consider resubmitting past nominees who were not selected at that time for another chance at this prestigious award.

Completed nomination forms can be submitted to Academic Senate President-Elect Ashley McHale through Suzanne Kohler (please indicate **Reed Buffington Award** in the subject line) at sikohler@laspositascollege.edu.

The deadline for submissions is Friday May 30, at 5pm. The award will be presented at Convocation in August.

Thank you for your consideration!

Ashley McHale, President-Elect, LPC Academic Senate

REED BUFFINGTON AWARD NOMINATION BALLOT

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Name of Nominee: _____

Division: _____

Nominated by: _____

Division: _____

In order for the committee members to evaluate all areas of your nominee's professional contributions, please provide them with the following information:

A. Please cite specific examples of curriculum development, program development, and/or creative methodology:

B. Cite specific examples of teacher-student interaction:

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- C. How has the nominee contributed to innovative instructional development:

- D. How has your nominee responded to the changes in the student body and its needs (such as inter-cultural approaches and equity issues):

- E. Please cite specific examples of how the candidate demonstrates involvement with the LPC community, and our community at large:

- F. Please provide specific examples that support this candidate's continued interest in professional growth and enrichment.

- G. Feel free to provide any additional information that might help the committee evaluate your nominee's contribution to Las Positas College and the teaching profession.

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What is it?

It is an award given for demonstrated career excellence in teaching. The award should not be viewed as a “teacher of the year” award. It is an opportunity to honor someone who has consistently dedicated their life to the enrichment of students and the teaching profession.

Who is eligible?

Any full-time faculty member who has been in the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District for ten years or more may be nominated. Last year and this year, both Chabot and Las Positas Colleges awarded Buffington Awards. Going forward, the award will be awarded to just one college per year.

How is someone nominated for the award?

By faculty nomination. A ballot is distributed to each faculty member. Faculty members are asked to make individual nominations and may nominate anyone on campus whom they think is a good candidate for the award. The nominating ballot is a narrative questionnaire requiring background knowledge about the nominee.

Who makes the final selection?

The award review committee consists of three members: the previous Reed Buffington Award recipient and two members of the LPC Academic Senate. Committee members select the chair.

What information does the committee need?

The nomination information is used and candidates are asked to submit autobiographical statements of their professional lives, as well as names of colleagues who will be interviewed by the committee. When possible, former students will be asked to provide comments as well.

When are the nominations due?

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