Exemplar’s Award Resolution
Adopted
September 30, 2002

Resolved: That the BSU Council on the Environment implement an Exemplar’s Award program to identify and recognize individuals or groups with significant accomplishments promoting the sustainable use of natural resources or the protection of ecological systems.

Award Title:
- (Type 1) COTE Exemplar’s Award
- (Type 2) COTE Exemplar’s Lifetime Achievement Award

Eligibility:
The award is open to any individual, including BSU students, faculty, staff, alumni, and non-BSU community members, legislators, etc.

Nomination Process:
Nominations will be solicited from the Ball State University community through ALLBSU Emails and through COTE representatives following the January COTE meeting, however, nominations can be made year round by phone, by Email, or online, and self-nominations will be accepted. Nominations will consist of information regarding the following:
- Nominator’s Name & Contact Information
- Nominee’s Name & Contact Information
- Description of Nominee’s Accomplishments that Warrant a COTE Exemplar’s Award

Selection Process:
The COTE Exemplar’s Committee, which includes the Council Chair and two members of COTE elected to serve on this Committee, will screen prospective Nominees. The decision on nominees to be reviewed by COTE will be made by this Committee through application of award criteria. A vote by the members of COTE will be used to select which of the nominees identified by the Committee are to receive a COTE Exemplar’s or Exemplar’s Lifetime Achievement Award.

Award Criteria:
1. COTE Exemplar’s Award nominees have significant accomplishments promoting the sustainable use of natural resources or the protection of ecological systems.
2. COTE Exemplar’s Lifetime Achievement Award nominees have a record of continual significant accomplishments throughout their lifetime promoting the sustainable use of natural resources or the protection of ecological systems.

Typical Areas of Exemplary Accomplishments:
- Material Use Reduction
- Energy Use Reduction
- Pollution Reduction
- Research
- Education
- Policy Implementation
- Planning and Design
- Special Innovation

Award Certificate and Announcement:
Awards will be announced publicly on Earth Day each year. For each award winner, a tree planted on-campus will be designated as their honorary tree. Award winners will receive a certificate of the award that includes the winner’s photograph and a brief synopsis of their award winning accomplishments. A copy of this will be maintained in the COTE archives and displayed.