

Consortium for Classical Lutheran Education Classical Exemplar Excellentiae Award

The Consortium for Classical Lutheran Education (CCLE) has established the Classical Exemplar Excellentiae Award for CCLE certified educators and/or faculty of accredited CCLE schools to:

- To promote excellence in the practice and understanding of Classical Lutheran education
- To recognize and honor excellence in classical Lutheran teaching
- 1. If you wish to nominate a member of your faculty for this award, please complete the nomination form, inform the faculty member, and give the nominating and application forms to the faculty member for the application.
- 2. The faculty member will then compile the *Classical Exemplar Excellentiae* application, collecting items to address requirements.
- 3. The complete application consists of:
 - i. nomination form (completed by headmaster)
 - ii. application form (completed by nominee)
 - iii. letters of recommendation by the pastor, school board member, a colleague, and parents
 - iv. documentation of the praxis in classical education philosophy and methodology

All items should be submitted electronically (as a zip file, portfolio, etc.) to executive.director@ccle.org by December 31, 2025. There is NO application fee.

- 4. The CCLE board will evaluate all applications and documentation. Decisions to award the Classical Exemplar Excellentiae Award will be made after consideration by the entire CCLE Board and announced in the spring 2026.
- 5. Individuals selected for the award will receive a modest financial award and certificate and will have

summer conference registration waived for the next conference. The CCLE accredited school will also

receive a modest award.

6. Any questions about the process should be directed to executive.director@ccle.org.

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Nominating Form

To be completed by nominator:

To nominate a faculty member for this award, please complete the following:
Your Name & Title:
School:
Address:
Phone Number:
Email address:
Name of Nominee:
Position at School:
Write a brief letter describing why you are nominating this faculty member. Address the nominee's grasp of classical education, his or her implementation of classical methodology in the classroom, and his or her overall contribution to students, parents, and the school. Please give this nominatio form to the faculty member along with the application materials.
Signature Date

APPLICATION FORM

To be completed by nominee:

Please provide the requested information either in this form or through another document with the information carefully identified.

Name:

Address:

Email address:

Phone number:

CCLE educator certificate number:

School name and address:

Current school position:

Current LCMS church membership:

Please provide the following information:

- I. Educational background
- II. Classical education documentation, which may include (but is not limited to):
 - publications
 - presentations or attendance at classical conferences or professional growth workshops
 - CCLE certification
 - online webinars
 - professional reading list, etc.
- III. Describe any additional experiences that have shaped your *praxis* in classical education.
- IV. Please attach letters of recommendation for this recognition from
 - your headmaster/administrator's nomination form & letter
 - your current pastor (if different from headmaster/administrator)
 - school board member
 - a colleague
 - parents of your students
 - five letters total, one from each category
- V. Please provide documentation of your praxis in classical education philosophy and methodology. Documentation may consist of (but is not limited to):
 - video recordings and photographs
 - written professional performance observations
 - anecdotes of teaching activities and results
 - summaries of student projects
 - parental comments
 - survey results, etc.