



James F. McKenzie Award

(a) Overview



To honor Dr. James F. McKenzie for his incredible work in health education in Indiana, InSOPHE offers the James F. McKenzie Award for Certified Health Education Specialists. This is intended to be given to an InSOPHE member who is registered to take the M/CHES exam and displays his/her plans for using the credential to make an impact in the field of health education. The award includes reimbursement for the exam fee, following documentation of successful passage of exam.

(b) Nomination Criteria

- Be a current InSOPHE member; and
- Fit the exam eligibility criteria as stated by the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing.

Applications must be made by a current member of InSOPHE.

Nomination/recommendations for this award must include the application form and a letter of support. The application form can be found [here](#). In addition to completing the application form, all applications must include a three hundred word statement.

If self-nominating, your statement must address the following:

- How has your education affected your plans for the future as a health education specialist?
- How will becoming certified enhance your future career plans?

Nominating an InSOPHE Member

If nominated by a professional, please address the following in your letter of support:

- Why do you feel that the nominee will make a difference in the field of health education in the future and make a qualified certified health professional?

(c) Submission

Applications and nominations must be submitted by the date of the final M/CHES application deadline for the spring and fall exams, prior to the student taking the exam. This date indicated on NCHCEC's website and may be subject to change per year.

Applications should be submitted to communications@insophe.org.

Upon receipt of your application, the InSOPHE Secretary will compile all applications and share with the Board of Directors. Board members will review and score all applications using the scoring rubric prior to the next monthly meeting. The highest-scoring applicant will be notified of the board's decision and must submit M/CHES exam scores once they are available before exam fees will be reimbursed. Only the exam held closest to the application date will be considered for reimbursement for the award. If the original awardee of the James F. McKenzie award does not pass the exam, the runner-up of the award will be notified. After the applicant has submitted passing M/CHES exam scores, all other applicants will be notified of not receiving the award.

(d) Scoring Rubric

Nominee Name	Date of Review
Is the nominee a current member of InSOPHE?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Is the nomination from a current InSOPHE member?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Does the nomination include a letter of support?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Was the nomination submitted by the application deadline?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Award Criteria	1	2	3	N/A; 0	Total
Demonstrates how education impacted plans for future career.	Not evident.	Somewhat evident.	Clearly evident.	Unable to determine.	
Demonstrates how M/CHES will enhance career plans.	Not evident.	Somewhat evident.	Clearly evident.	Unable to determine.	
Application is well-written.	Not evident.	Somewhat evident.	Clearly evident.	Unable to determine.	
Grand Total					

(a) Nomination Form

Name of Nominee

Address

Telephone

Email Address

Name of School (If Applicable)

Academic Major/Area of Study

Nominating Member

Telephone

Email Address
