School Board Recognition Criteria

The School Board of Sarasota County is committed to recognizing the accomplishments of its students, teachers, administrator, staff, volunteers and supporters. One avenue of recognition is the presentation of awards and/or congratulations at School Board meetings, which are televised to 185,000 households.

Principals or department supervisors who wish to have students or staff recognized should complete the application form on the reverse of this document using the following criteria:

Student recognition:

- 1. The student or group of students has excelled in scholarship, athletics, citizenship, the performing arts or other area at a level that has resulted in regional, state or national recognition.
- 2. The student or group has performed a particularly innovative or creative service to his or her school or community.
- 3. The student or group has demonstrated extraordinary commitment to the school or community by investing a noteworthy amount of time and effort in a service project.

Staff recognition:

- 1. The staff member or administrator has received regional, state or national recognition for professional excellence or accomplishment.
- 2. The staff member or administrator has initiated or developed a creative and effective approach or program to improve instruction and/or student achievement.
- 3. The staff member or administrator has demonstrated extraordinary commitment to the school or community by investing a noteworthy amount of time and effort in a service project.
- 4. The staff member or administrator has suggested a noteworthy change in procedure practice that noticeably improves services to students or generates a significant positive impact on the school or district budget.

Community member recognition:

- 1. The volunteer, community member or organization has provided support and/or service to a school or the district that has received regional, state or national recognition.
- 2. The community member or organization has initiated or supported an unusually creative approach or program to improve student achievement.
- 3. The community member or organization has demonstrated extraordinary commitment to the school or district by investing a noteworthy amount of time and effort in a service project to benefit the school or the district.

It should be noted that the recognition of any particular program, project, initiative or accomplishment might involve any combination of the above groups.