

NSPE-KY New Professional Engineer of the Year Award

Guidelines

This award recognizes a young NSPE-KY member who has made outstanding contributions to the Engineering Profession and the community during the early years of one's career.

Nomination Process/Method of Selection

Any licensed Professional Engineer (PE), Engineering Intern (EI), or Engineer-in-Training (EIT) and NSPE member in good standing, who is 35 years of age or younger as of January first in the year the national award is to be presented, is eligible for nomination. The nomination shall be made by an NSPE-KY Chapter, and only one submission per chapter shall be allowed. **Please note**, if a nominee is not a three-tier (local/state/national) member, he/she will not be eligible to compete for the national NSPE New Professional Engineering of the Year Award if he/she is selected as NSPE-KY's award winner.

Current officers and directors of NSPE-KY are not eligible for nomination.

The NSPE-KY Awards Committee makes the selection of the recipient based on the following criteria:

- **Collegiate educational and extra-curricular achievements**
- **Professional society activities, positions held, and achievements**
- **Technical society activities, positions held, and achievements**
- **Community and humanitarian activities, positions held, and achievements**
- **Career positions and responsibilities after completion of Baccalaureate degree**
- **Engineering career achievements**

Criteria and requirements are detailed on the following pages.

Nomination Format

Complete nomination packets shall not exceed ten (10) 8-1/2" x 11" pages including letters of recommendation. Submissions must include the attached Nomination Form as the cover page and include the nominee's signature. The nomination form and all accompanying sheets—except for supporting documentation—shall be typed in 11-point Arial font. Supporting pages shall identify to which of the six criteria categories each applies. Also, please provide a statement of 500 words or less that is suitable for use as a press release providing an overview of the nominee's achievements and summarizing why the nominee is deserving of this award. Finally, provide contact information for at least two media outlets to receive this statement should the nominee be selected.

Deadline and Submission

Nomination packets must be e-mailed no later than close of business on **Monday, December 15, 2025**, to kec@kyengcenter.org. Nominations will not be carried forward to a subsequent year.

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Minimum Requirements

The nominee shall be 35 years of age or younger as of January first in the year for which the national award is to be presented. (For this year's competition, that date is January 1, 2026).

Although registration as an EI/EIT by the nominee is satisfactory, licensure as a Professional Engineer will be given greater consideration.

The nominee must be an NSPE-KY member in good standing. Furthermore, to compete in the national competition (should the nominee advance), he/she **must be** a three-tier (local/state/national) member.

A nominee must be nominated by the chapter in which he/she holds membership, and the chapter must submit an endorsement letter on the nominee's behalf.

Evaluation Criteria

The NSPE-KY Awards Committee members will evaluate the nominee based on the following six criteria categories and score each with a maximum number of points based on the following table:

<u>Criteria Category</u>	<u>Maximum Points</u>
Collegiate educational and extra-curricular achievements	10
Professional society activities, positions held, and achievements	20
Technical society activities, positions held, and achievements	15
Community and humanitarian activities, positions held, and achievements	15
Career positions after completion of Baccalaureate degree	15
Engineering career achievements	25
Total for all categories	100

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Nomination Form

Please Type

Candidate: _____ Signature: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Home Address: Street _____

City, State, Zip _____

Business Address: Name _____

Street _____

City, State, Zip _____

NSPE Affiliation (optional): _____

Member #

State Society

Chapter

Candidate's Date of Birth: _____

Date on which Candidate passed the Fundamentals of Engineering Exam: _____

If Candidate holds a PE License – Jurisdiction: _____ License#: _____

Please submit the application and all necessary materials by close of business on Monday, December 15, 2025, to KEC@kyengcenter.org. The following must be included:

- 1. Completed nomination form***
- 2. 500 word summary***
- 3. Endorsement letter by NSPE-KY Chapter***

Name of NSPE-KY Chapter Making Nomination: _____

Chapter Authorized Representative: _____
Name & Title Nominator or Chapter Rep. Signature

Telephone: _____ E-Mail Address: _____ Date: _____

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Basis for Nomination

A. Collegiate educational and extra-curricular achievements

Include undergraduate and post-graduate degree(s) with institution, major(s), and date for each degree; honorary societies; scholastic awards; organizations in which the nominee participated, and any other activities deemed relevant to this category.

B. Professional society activities, positions held, and achievements

These should include any non-technical organizations (e.g., NSPE, SWE, NSBE, and SHPE) at the national, state, and local level. Include affiliations, positions held, awards received, notable achievement, etc.

C. Technical society activities, positions held, and achievements

Representative organizations in this category include the founding societies (e.g., ASCE, ASME, and IEEE) and any others for which the nominee's technical prowess is applicable. Include affiliations, positions held, awards received, notable achievement, etc.

D. Community and humanitarian activities, positions held, and achievements

This category includes a wide range of organizational activities, including service organizations, scouting, governmental service, religious organizations, and others intended to assist people and/or improve quality of life. Include affiliations, positions held, awards received, and noteworthy achievements with explanation of each's significance in the particular activity, etc.

E. Career positions after completion of Baccalaureate degree

Include each employer, location, dates of employment. Describe nominee's position(s) with each employer and his/her responsibilities (e.g., number of persons supervised, size of budget managed, and types of duties).

F. Engineering career achievements

Describe nominee's accomplishments in each employment experience and the significance of those accomplishments. Include customer/client feedback that reflects nominee's value. Provide information about patents either awarded or pending, awards for work performed or results achieved, and any other information that enhances the nominee's worthiness for this award. Note this is the most significant category for scoring.