

# SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

## Policy Manual

**SUBJECT:** Regental Awards

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### 1. Certificate of Regental Commendation

Any individual or group who makes an outstanding or unusual service contribution to public higher education in South Dakota is eligible to receive a Certificate of Regental Commendation. For Regental students or employees, the certificate is for service above and beyond the call of duty.

A nomination form shall be printed and shall be made available at all Regental institutions and offices. Each Regent shall also be provided with nomination forms. Nomination forms should be submitted to the Executive Director. At the next meeting of the Board, each commendation nomination shall be reviewed by the Board. Approved certificates shall be awarded periodically at appropriate campus or Regental events scheduled so that a Regent may make the presentation. The presentation shall provide for public recognition in a formal ceremony.

### 2. Regents' Award for Excellence

The stated criteria are:

- A. Instills pride in accomplishment.
- B. Serves as a standard by which others shall be judged.
- C. Contains elements of national importance.
- D. Demonstrates a level of performance which exemplifies a diligence and tough-mindedness which is characteristic of South Dakotans.

An award for Excellence shall be highly selective and shall carry a designated monetary award.

A nomination form for the Award for Excellence shall be made available at all Regental institutions and offices. Each Regent shall be provided copies of the form. Nomination forms should be submitted to the Executive Director. After preliminary screening of a nomination, a Board review committee shall be appointed to document the degree to which the nominee meets the stated criteria. A written report to the Board shall lead to a final determination for this award.

These awards shall be presented annually at an annual event designated by the Board, and the presentation shall be made by the designated representative of the Board. A brass plaque shall be presented as a part of this award.

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