



### Purpose:

NELMS seeks to honor **parent/community** groups that value, understand, and support effective middle level education.

## Criteria:

- Understands and actively supports the development of young adolescents
- Champions middle level education
  - o recognizes middle level as a distinct entity of education
  - $\circ$   $\;$  actively promotes middle level activities and programs  $\;$
  - o builds community support
- Celebrates diversity in their school
- Promotes social and racial justice and equity for all marginalized student and family populations

## Application Process:

The nominator must collect the following and submit all materials electronically to <u>nelms@nelms.org</u> by **February 1**. This is free to members.

• The **nominator**, who must be from the same school district, must address in writing how the **group** meets the criteria stated above in 500 words or less. *Please submit the Application and Written Statement at the same time.* 

### Recognition:

Those who receive an award will be recognized at the NELMS Annual Conference, receive a twoday registration to our Annual Conference, and be featured in NELMS publications.

Person/Group Nominated	
School Name	
School Address	
Name of Nominator	
Nominator Phone (home)	_ (school number)
Nominator's Email	
Principal's Signature	

# Upon submission of this application, the school principal will be contacted by NELMS.