

Chapter 13B Pearl Award Procedures

Section 13.10 to 13.999999

13.10 PURPOSE AND ELIGIBILITY

13.101 The award shall be given to any person currently employed in any capacity in an Oregon public library who has displayed exceptional effort and excellence. The annual award represents those who are like the pearl in an oyster – one who agitates, makes change over time, and is highly valued.

13.102 Any employee of an Oregon public library who has displayed exceptional effort and excellence in public library service may be given the award. Special effort will be made to recognize lesser-known individuals who may have made significant and concrete achievements. Eligibility requirements are as follows:

1. The person shall be a paid employee, in any capacity, at an Oregon public library.
2. The person shall have shown exceptional effort and excellence in meeting a specific task, challenge or situation.

13.103 The award shall be given annually, if and when there is a deserving recipient. It shall consist of a certificate or plaque suitable for display. It shall be presented by a member of the Public Library Division Executive Board at the annual conference or during a meeting of the general membership.

13.11 NOMINATION PROCESS

13.111 Nominations for the award shall be solicited from the Division's membership and the Oregon library community.

13.112 Members of the Division's Executive Board shall select the award recipient.

13.12 STIPEND

13.121 The Division may approve a stipend of up to \$200 to defray the recipient's cost of attending the awards ceremony.

13.13 PUBLICITY AND RECORD-KEEPING

13.131 Announcements of the award recipient shall be publicized in the appropriate statewide, regional and national library news media, and in local media.

13.132 The Division shall keep written records of award activities. The Division Secretary shall keep a cumulative list of award recipients with the year in which the award was given.