



General Educational Development Testing Service

## MEMORANDUM

To: GED Administrators, GED Advisory Committee, State Directors of Adult Education, and adult education colleagues

From: GED Testing Service

Date: March 15, 2006

Subject: 2006 Cornelius P. Turner Award

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The Cornelius P. Turner award was named for the founder of the GED testing program. The Turner Award was established in 1992 to honor a GED graduate who has made outstanding contributions to society in one of the following areas: education, justice, health, public service, or social welfare. The award is presented each summer by the GED Testing Service at the GED Administrators' Conference.

GED Administrators, GED Chief and Alternate Chief Examiners, GED and ABE teachers and program staff, Directors of Adult Education and department or ministry of education staff may submit nominations for the award.

### **Nominees for the Cornelius P. Turner Award must meet the following criteria:**

1. He or she earned a GED diploma
2. He or she has made a significant contribution to society or a noteworthy accomplishment in at least one of the following areas:
  - Education
  - Justice
  - Health or Medicine
  - Public Service
  - Social Welfare
3. The contribution or accomplishment relates to the GED testing program in one or both of the following ways:
  - the contribution or accomplishment benefits the GED testing program directly; or
  - the nominee could not have performed the contribution or accomplishment without a GED diploma.

To nominate someone for the Cornelius P. Turner Award:

1. Complete the enclosed 2006 Cornelius P. Turner Award nomination form
2. Obtain the nominee's signature on the form
3. Send the nomination form, attachments, and photograph to:

Turner Award Committee  
Attn: Cassandra Alston Cook  
GED Testing Service  
One Dupont Circle NW, Suite 250  
Washington, DC 20036-1163

Nominations must be postmarked no later than May 26, 2006. The award winner will be expected to attend the 2006 GED Administrators' Conference in Portland, Maine on July 27, 2006 to accept the award and make a brief presentation. The GED Testing Service will cover travel expenses for the winner if he or she is unable to do so.

Enclosure: 2006 Cornelius P. Turner Award nomination form

**2006 CORNELIUS P. TURNER AWARD  
NOMINATION FORM**

**I.** I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby nominate the following GED graduate to be the recipient of the 2006 Cornelius P. Turner Award.

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Name of Nominee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State/Province

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip/Postal Code

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Telephone

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Fax

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Email

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Nominator's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Nominator

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State/Province

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Zip/Postal Code

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Telephone

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Fax

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Email

- II. Nominator's Statement:** In a brief statement, please describe the accomplishments or contributions to society the nominee has made since earning the GED that make him or her eligible for the Turner Award.
- III. Curriculum Vitae:** Include with this nomination a photograph of the nominee and his or her resume or *curriculum vitae*.
- IV. Nominee's Statement (optional):** Describe why you chose to pursue a GED diploma/credential and the impact this choice has made on your life and the lives of others.
- V. Release Statement:** I am aware that I have been nominated for the 2006 Cornelius P. Turner award and consent to the use of the information contained in this application for publicity purposes.

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Nominee's Signature