

Below are the NFEF Award descriptions along with the questions that correlate with each award within the submission form via Survey Monkey. (Please do not submit this PDF form.)

Each response must be completed to be considered for final review of the NFEF Grants & Awards committee. If you would like to include (optional) supporting documents along with your application, please email those to NFEF@ANFPonline.org.

Foodservice Education Innovator of the Year Award

Submission Details

Does your facility have an innovative education or training program? If so, get ready to apply for NFEF's award! This award shines a spotlight on unique training or education initiatives that a facility or company offers. One winner each year will be recognized with their training practice/ program highlighted in Nutrition & Foodservice Edge magazine.

Award nominees might highlight:

1. Unique training programs for new hires; or
2. Furthering education of foodservice personnel; or
3. Unique programs that assist/encourage foodservice directors obtaining the CDM®, CFPP® credential; or
4. An innovative program promoting foodservice personnel competencies.

The following questions are required to complete the online submission:

1. Please describe your program (applicant will select all that apply from a list included on the application)
2. Describe your program in detail. You might include who is involved, who benefits, how many people participate, administration involvement, or anything else you feel would help the committee evaluate the application.
3. Does your administration support your project?
4. How has the program impacted your staff, residents, facility, or the foodservice industry as a whole?

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Foodservice Department of the Year Award

Submission Details

Prestige, recognition, reputation, status. All words that describe the accomplishments of the NFEF Foodservice Department of the Year. Don't miss your opportunity to recognize your team and your facility by winning the NFEF Foodservice Department of the Year award.

Nominate your team by providing details of achievements and accomplishments in the following four areas:

Teamwork – How well department staff members communicate, cooperate and work together to make the department collectively greater than the sum of its multiple functions.

Innovation – How the department approaches day-to-day operations for internal customers that highlight and reinforce its importance to the organization.

Customer Service – How the department's operational activities directly and indirectly influence high-quality service. How the department contributes to the well-being of their clients, residents, or patients.

Operational Contribution – How specifically the department has contributed to the overall operation of the organization. (This could include financial operations, enhanced marketing efforts, staffing, surveys, etc.)

The following questions are required to complete the online submission:

1. Please explain how well department staff members communicate, cooperate, and work together to make the department collectively greater than the sum of its multiple functions.
2. Please explain how the department approaches day-to-day operations for internal customers that highlight and reinforce its importance to the organization.
3. Please explain how the department's operational activities directly and indirectly influence high-quality service.
4. In addition, please explain how the department contributes to the well-being of its clients, residents, or patients.
5. Please explain how the department has specifically contributed to the overall operation of the organization (This could include financial operations, enhanced marketing efforts, staffing, surveys, etc.).

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NFEF Awards Policy

NFEF award recipients/facilities are limited to receiving one award in a three-year period and will be eligible to receive another award after three years has passed.

Please e-mail NFEF@ANFPonline.org with any questions.

Award nominations close on March 1, 2027.