

2012 KAMSA Middle School of the Year Application

Criterion:

Application must be received by: March 1, 2012

Awards Ceremony: May 7, 2012

The building administrator must be a member of KAMSA for the 2012 KAMSA Middle School of the Year application to be considered.

It is recommended that this application be written and submitted by the building leadership team and not solely by the building administration. Each individual that is a part of this team is asked to sign the signature page at the end of this application.

A maximum of four pages may be submitted covering Parts I, II, III below. The applicant may decide how to best divide the four pages to cover each of the parts.

Part I. Overall Synopsis of School:

Please include: Grade configuration (6-8, 7-8, etc.) and enrollment (size of school).

Consider: "Reasons why your school should be selected for 2012 KAMSA Middle School of the Year?" What is unique (qualities, etc.) about your school?

Part II. Evidence of Continual Effort to Improve:

Please explain programs that have been established to create an environment in the school dedicated to academic improvement. Include any data measures and results used to determine success of the program(s).

Part III. Evidence of New Programs Added:

New programs or more emphasis placed on an existing program(s), to accelerate academic achievement, provide for student motivation through recognition/awards, student social development – such as bullying, leadership, peer mediation programs, etc. Please include data used to measure the success of the program.

Evaluation: Scoring will be done by a panel of judges using the accompanying rubric. Recognition will be given to a winner, five finalists, and those schools receiving at least an 85% of total points possible. Schools not meeting the 85% benchmark will receive a congratulatory letter recognizing their effort for submitting a KAMSA Middle School of the Year application.

Questions can be submitted to:

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Please send application to:

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**KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF MIDDLE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS
MIDDLE SCHOOL OF THE YEAR AWARD
Grading Rubric**

	5	15	20
	0	10	20
Overall Synopsis of School	School does not provide evidence supporting reasons why they should be selected for 2012 KAMSA Middle School of the Year.	School answers the question, "Reasons why your school should be selected for 2012 KAMSA Middle School of the Year" but not in great detail.	School clearly answers the question, "Reasons why your school should be selected for 2012 KAMSA Middle School of the Year?" Multiple evidence is given
Evidence of Continual Effort to Improve	School does not show continual effort to improve its academic achievement. Data measures show little to no improvement.	School attempts to explain and/or show some effort to improve its academic achievement. Data measures show improvement.	School clearly explains and shows continual effort to improve its academic achievement. Data measures show substantial improvement.
Evidence of New Programs Added	Data measures show little to no improvement towards new program or renewed emphasis on an existing program.	Data measures show improvement towards new program or renewed emphasis on an existing program.	Data measures show substantial improvement towards new program or renewed emphasis on an existing program.

Raters may award points as they deem necessary between the performance levels. (i.e. award an 18 instead of 20 or 15 as indicated on rubric)