THE 32ND ANNUAL
GREEN★GARNER
AWARD PROGRAM

Honoring the Memories of Richard R. Green, Leading Urban School Chancellor & Edward J. Garner, Urban School Board Leader

Recognizing Outstanding Contributions To Urban Education

2021 BOARD MEMBER APPLICATION

1956 65TH 2021

Council of the Great City Schools.
Richard R. Green (1936–1989)

- Earned doctorate in Educational Administration from Harvard Graduate School of Education
- Led the nation’s largest school system as chancellor of New York City Public Schools
- Mentored urban school superintendents nationwide

"IF YOU BELIEVE IT, YOU CAN ACHIEVE IT. IF IT IS TO BE, IT’S UP TO ME."

Edward J. Garner (1942–2012)

- Outstanding businessman and former school board president, Denver Public Schools
- Played key role in establishing and funding the CGCS Urban Educator of the Year Award
- Represented school board members on the CGCS Executive Committee
The Council of the Great City Schools is committed to recognizing and supporting outstanding leadership in urban education in honor of Richard R. Green and Edward Garner.

THE COUNCIL OF THE GREAT CITY SCHOOLS is pleased to sponsor the annual Green-Garner Award in Urban Education. This year’s award is dedicated to honoring one of our superintendents. Next year’s award will spotlight one of our school board members. The honor has been named for our outstanding colleagues and friends—Richard Green, the former Chancellor of the New York City Public Schools and former Superintendent of the Minneapolis Public Schools, and Edward Garner, the former School Board President of Denver Public Schools. This award will be presented during the 65th Annual Fall Conference in Philadelphia, PA.

Urban education has been blessed with many dedicated and talented individuals. School board members who will be nominated will have helped spearhead the comeback and progress of the nation’s urban schools. These remarkable individuals have worked tirelessly on behalf of our very special children.

Raymond Hart, Executive Director
Council of the Great City Schools

Barbara Jenkins, Chair of the Board
Council of the Great City Schools

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

In tribute to the memories of Richard R. Green and Edward Garner, the Council of the Great City Schools will present an award in their names to a past or present Council member superintendent or board of education member. The award rotates annually between superintendents and board members, and winners will be awarded for representing one or more of the ideals and commitments expressed by Richard Green and Edward Garner (see Selection Criteria, page 4). The 2021 Green-Garner Award winner will be honored at the virtual 65th Annual Fall Conference of the Council of the Great City Schools and will receive a $10,000 college scholarship to present to a senior in a high school from the winner’s school system.

THE WINNER WILL:

★ Receive a special Green-Garner Award expressing the history of Dr. Green, Mr. Garner, and the ideals they cherished.

★ Receive nationwide recognition in the news and various trade media, as well as a special profile in the Council of the Great City Schools newsletter, Urban Educator.

★ Receive a $10,000 college scholarship to present to a senior in high school from their school system.

IMPORTANT DATES

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<td>Last day application packets emailed to the Council of the Great City Schools.</td>
<td>Distinguished panel selects Green-Garner Award Winner.</td>
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SELECTION PROCESS
The Green-Garner Award Program in 2021 is open to all past and present school board members of the Council of the Great City Schools. All current superintendents and Board of Education members of the Council of the Great City Schools may make nominations for a past or present school board members for the Green-Garner Award Program. Those nominating a candidate should fill out the application online.

The Council of the Great City Schools will review all applications for completion. A distinguished panel of superintendents and school board members will select the recipient of the annual Green-Garner Award. The application must be completed in its entirety and emailed by September 17, 2021.

SELECTION CRITERIA FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS
Applicants for the Green-Garner Award should be able to demonstrate one or more of the following ideals cherished by Dr. Green and Mr. Garner:

LEADERSHIP
★ The applicant has shown excellence in leadership and sustained that leadership over a number of years.

★ The applicant has improved the quality and stability of the district through his or her leadership and governance.

ACHIEVEMENT
★ The applicant has demonstrated that his or her leadership has been instrumental in improving student achievement districtwide for a number of years.

★ The applicant has demonstrated that his or her leadership has been instrumental in narrowing achievement gaps in his or her district over a number of years.

PUBLIC CONFIDENCE
★ The applicant has helped improve the public’s confidence in his or her school district.

PROFESSIONALISM
★ The applicant embodies the personal characteristics and professional accomplishments that reflect well on urban education and the progress it is striving to make.

INVolVEMENT
★ The applicant has shown active and sustained participation in and support of the Council of the Great City Schools.
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APPLICATION SPECIFICATIONS

★ The application is available ONLINE ONLY at https://tinyurl.com/776pzbb6

★ The nominator and/or nominee for the Green-Garner Award should fill out the entire application.

★ Upload a video on the nominee that is no longer than two and a half minutes. The video should focus on the applicant’s qualifications and accomplishments based on the selection criteria. Suggestions include congratulatory remarks from a school board member, school leader and a student.

If you have any questions, please email:

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Conference Manager
Council of the Great City Schools
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CLICK HERE TO APPLY ONLINE:
https://tinyurl.com/776pzbb6

Cleveland CEO Eric Gordon surprises Brinden Harvey at his home with a $10,000 Richard Green scholarship check. Gordon was the winner of the 2016 Green-Garner Award, Harvey attends Ohio’s Baldwin Wallace University.

Houston Schools Superintendent Terry Grier congratulates Alisa Hamilton who received a $10,000 Richard Green college scholarship. Grier was the winner of the 2014 Green-Garner Award. Hamilton attends East Texas Baptist University.
APPLICATION

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME

SCHOOL SYSTEM

TITLE

OFFICE ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

PHONE

SCHOOL SYSTEM INFORMATION

ENROLLMENT

PLEASE GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL SYSTEM WITH WHICH YOU ARE AFFILIATED.

EDUCATION

SCHOOL ATTENDED

DEGREE

DATES

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TEACHING/ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE OR OTHER PRIVATE SECTOR/COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE

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1. How has your tenure as a school board member improved the quality and stability of your district’s leadership and governance?

An example of the online application—MUST BE FILLED OUT ONLINE.
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How has your leadership as a school board member helped to improve student achievement districtwide and narrow the district’s achievement gaps? Include specific data.
How has your leadership as a school board member helped improve the public's confidence in your district?
An example of the online application—**MUST BE FILLED OUT ONLINE.**

4 How has your leadership as a school board member exemplified the progress that urban schools nationwide are determined to make?
How have you or your district participated over the years in the Council of the Great City Schools?

An example of the online application—MUST BE FILLED OUT ONLINE.
FOR NOMINATORS ONLY!

Please describe why you believe your candidate will be the best recipient of The Green-Garner Award.

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achievement in the nation's major cities; strengthening the quality of urban school
leadership, governance, and management; creating greater educational opportunities
for historically underserved students; and boosting public confidence in city schools.
The organization works to achieve its mission by serving as a forum for urban school
leaders. For more information, please visit www.cgcs.org.

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