Thomas F. Rodgers Outreach County Agent Award

**Purpose**
To recognize exceptional creativity and scholarship in the development, application, and evaluation of outreach and public service programs.

**Eligibility**
Eligibility for the award shall be limited to county agents and professional staff (e.g., Educational Program Specialists) who have been employed in those position categories for at least three years.

Past recipients are not eligible for the subsequent three years.

**Nominations**
Each District of UGA Extension is eligible to nominate one person for the FACS Outreach Agent Award:

- Northwest District
- Northeast District
- Southwest District
- Southeast District

**How to nominate**
Each district listed above shall develop its own procedure for identifying all potentially qualified applicants. One nomination from each district will be accepted.

Each district’s nomination packet should include:

1. Nominee’s current curriculum vitae (no page limit)
2. One (1) letter of nomination detailing the nominee’s outstanding achievements in the areas of extension, outreach, and public service. The nomination letter should specifically address how the individual’s work relates to each of the award criteria listed below.
3. One (1) external letter of support. This letter should be from a constituent or beneficiary of the public service/outreach/Extension. The letter of support should specifically address how the individual’s work relates to each of the award criteria listed below.
4. Up to five examples of relevant supporting material. Examples of supporting material include impact statements, documentation of success stories, journal articles, manuals, curricula, and papers presented, limited to 8 pages.
Nominations can roll over for up to three (3) years. The district must email facsdean@uga.edu by the award deadline each year to confirm if a nomination is being rolled forward for consideration. Letters of support do not have to be up-dated yearly. It is at the district’s discretion to replace letters of support.

The recipient will be recognized at the Spring College Assembly with a plaque and shall receive a cash award.

Criteria

1. Superior quality and innovative approaches to delivery program with maximum benefit to audience, community and stakeholders.
2. Successful leadership in identifying and initiating programs and initiatives specifically targeted toward high priority programs.
3. Effective communication of program results and impact.
4. Other evidence of support through partnerships, funding and visibility of program reach and effectiveness.

Deadline

January 30, 5:00 p.m.