

APPLICATION

THE HENRY SALVATORI PRIZE FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

HILLSDALE COLLEGE announces the Henry Salvatori Prize for Excellence in Teaching to honor schools with an outstanding K-12 educational program. Endowed by the late Henry Salvatori, this competition is open to all public and private schools whose teaching reflects the best traditions of Western education. The school must be a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization. The \$25,000 award will be presented to the winning school at a special ceremony.

Please provide the responses to the Prize criteria on separate sheets of paper, limited to a maximum of ten double-spaced pages. Supporting documents describing the school's approach, deployment, and results are also welcome. The strongest applications will demonstrate consistent and widespread deployment of a sound approach to education accompanied by excellent results. The application must be submitted between December 1 and February 1. A panel of judges will review all submissions and select two finalists by April 1. Site visits will be made between April 1 and May 31. The winning school will be notified by June 1.

Prize Criteria

I. Academic Program. Describe how the teaching promotes the student's education in the liberal arts and sciences. Within your response, include answers to the following questions:

- A. What is the architecture of the school's curriculum, its components, and its purposes?
- B. What are the principles that inform the teachers' approach to instruction?
- C. How does the school ensure excellence in teaching to support the curriculum?
- D. What are the academic results the school seeks to achieve, and is the school achieving those results? Support your answer.

II. Virtue. Describe how the teaching inculcates virtue in the student. Within your response, include answers to the following questions:

- A. What is the model of virtue for the student and the basis for it?
- B. What elements of instruction and school culture lead the student to conform to the model of virtue?
- C. How does the school ensure excellence in teaching to support the formation of the virtuous student?
- D. What are the character results the school seeks to achieve, and is the school achieving those results? Support your answer.

III. Citizenship. Describe how the teaching promotes the student's understanding of man's political life and prepares the student to assume his place as a responsible citizen in the political order. Within your response, include answers to the following questions:

- A. What elements of the Western and American tradition underpin the school's efforts to develop the student as a good citizen?
- B. How does the school ensure excellence in teaching to support the formation of the student as a good citizen?
- C. What are the civic results the school seeks to achieve in the life of the student, and is the school achieving those results? Support your answer.

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SCHOOL: _____ YEAR ESTABLISHED: _____

ADDRESS: _____ PUBLIC PRIVATE

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____ PHONE: _____

POINT OF CONTACT: _____

GRADES SERVED: _____ STUDENT BODY SIZE: _____

NUMBER OF ADMINISTRATORS: _____ TOTAL SUPPORT STAFF/ADMINISTRATION/FACULTY: _____

WHAT IS YOUR POLICY TOWARD TRANSFER STUDENTS?

PLEASE STATE YOUR INSTITUTION'S MISSION STATEMENT.

Mail this completed application form and documents to: External Affairs—Salvatori Prize
Hillsdale College
33 E. College St.
Hillsdale, MI 49242

*Due to the number of responses,
we regret that we cannot return
any submissions. Please keep copies
of your application for your files.*



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