



Education For Employment Outstanding Senior Awards Frequently Asked Questions

SELECTING STUDENTS

How are seniors selected for this award?

EFE teachers select their Outstanding Senior(s).

What criteria do teachers use to select their Outstanding Seniors?

Teachers set their own criteria for selection. It is recommended to use a combination of factors to determine an outstanding senior. Possible factors can include grades, attendance, leadership, attitude/behavior, CTSO membership, etc.

How many students can I select?

EFE teachers can select one outstanding senior for each EFE class section they teach but no more than THREE students total per teacher. Example: If you teach 2 sections of EFE, you can choose up to 2 students. If you teach four sections of EFE, you can choose up to 3 students.

If I teach multiple sections of EFE, do I need to select a student from each section?

No. If the students you decide to select all happen to attend class in the same section, you do not need to ensure that you choose a student from each section.

Must I choose my 2nd-year (advanced level) students over an amazing 1st-year student?

The criteria for selection are up to the teacher.

What are the guidelines for high schools who offer one-trimester courses?

Ideally, our outstanding seniors would be selected from the pool of student completers (complete the entire curriculum of a 1-year or 2-year course). The EFE office stipulates that students MUST complete at least 2 trimesters of a course before being considered for this award.

What do I do if I have no students in my classes that meet my standards for an Outstanding Senior?

Only choose students who are deserving of the award. If you find that you have no students eligible per your criteria, please reflect on the year and question whether you 1) let students know about the award opportunity at the beginning of the year; 2) posted pictures and scholarship amounts in your classroom of past outstanding seniors; and 3) talked early in the year to students about your criteria standards. You may find that students will rise to the challenge.

Does every student who receives the Outstanding Senior Award also receive a scholarship?

No. Students receive the OSA award because their program teacher selected them. They may also receive a scholarship but this is based on 1) scholarship availability; 2) specific scholarship criteria; 3) selection by the scholarship committee; and other factors.