

IHSAA MEDIA AWARD WINNERS

In 1970, the Board of Control instituted its Media Award to members of the print and electronic media for the highly significant role they play in promoting school activities program at the local and state level. Nominations for the Award come from the member schools and are chosen by an independent panel of administrators.

1970

Jack North – Des Moines Register
John O'Donnell – Davenport Daily Times

1971

Bert McGrane – Des Moines Register
Tait Cummins – WMT Radio, Cedar Rapids

1972

Jim Zabel – WHO Radio & TV, Des Moines
Alex Stoddard – Sioux City Journal

1973

Russ Smith – Waterloo Courier
Andy Woolfries – WOI Radio, Ames; WMT Radio,
Cedar Rapids; KRNT Radio – Des Moines

1974

Gerald (Red) McAleece – KDTH Radio, Dubuque
Gus Schrader – Cedar Rapids Gazette

1975

Emmett Mowery – Ottumwa Courier
Frank Buckingham – Cherokee Daily Times; KCHE

1976

Bob Brown – Fort Dodge Messenger
George Dorrington – WMT-TV, Cedar Rapids

1977

Harry Burrell – Iowa State University SID, Ames
Leighton Housh – Des Moines Register & Tribune
Warren Swain – KMA Radio, Shenandoah

1978

Gene Sherman – KCAU-TV, Sioux City
Jim Van Heel – Mason City Globe Gazette

1979

Harold Blake – Muscatine Journal
Dave Potratz – KICD Radio, Spencer

1980

Chuck Burdick – Des Moines Register & Tribune
Bill Higgins – KVFD Radio, Fort Dodge

1981

Jerry Jurgens – Davenport Daily Times
Jack Ogden – Cedar Rapids Gazette
Don Uker – KDSN Radio, Denison

1982

Blean Calkins – KWPC-KFMH Radio, Muscatine
Harrison (Skip) Weber – Iowa Daily Press Assoc.

1983

Hank Dihlmann – KROS Radio, Clinton
Charles Ney – KAYL, Storm Lake & Iowa Radio
Network
Max Sandeman – Creston News Advertiser

1984

George Kampling – Clinton Herald
Jim Logan – Red Oak Express
Frosty Mitchell – KGRN Radio, Grinnell

1985

Howard Brantz – Omaha World Herald
Bob Brooks – KHAK Radio, Cedar Rapids
Phil Chinitz – Atlantic News Telegraph

1986

Ed Peck – Newton Daily News
Neil Trobak – KCIM-KKRL Radio, Carroll

1987

Ron Gonder – WMT Radio & TV, Cedar Rapids
Hal Lagerstrom – Dubuque Telegraph-Herald
Al Grady – Iowa City Press-Citizen

1988

Harold Bailey – Perry Daily Chief
Harry Gundacker – New Hampton Tribune
Don Brandt – KBUR-KCRS Radio, Burlington
William Turner – KCAU-TV, Sioux City

1989

Dearrel Bates – Quad City Times, Davenport
Patrick Fleming – WDBQ and KDTH, Dubuque
Wayne Grett – Des Moines Register

1990

Gary Alban – Ogden Reporter
James R. Lindvall – Griswold American
R.A. (Bob) Wilson – KTIV-TV, Sx City; KETV-TV,
Omaha

1991

Tom Juhl – KVDB Radio, Sioux Center
Randy Peterson – Des Moines Register & Tribune
Jim Rose – Mount Pleasant News

1992

Roger Bates – Muscatine Journal
Alan Hoskins – Ottumwa Courier
Dennis O’Grady – Carroll Daily Times-Herald

1993

Darlene & William Chaffee – Laurens Sun
Bob Denney – Cedar Rapids Gazette
Jack M. Eaton – SE Iowa Radio Sports Network
John Kuhens – KILJ Radio, Mount Pleasant
Arden J. Schoep – Nevada Evening Journal

1994

Gary Bucklin – KSIB Radio, Creston
Tim Fleming – KGLO Radio, Mason City
Terry Hersom – Sioux City Journal
Jack Marlowe – Maquoketa Sentinel Press
Doug Rodenburg – Missouri Valley Times
Chuck Schoffner – Associated Press
Charles Schram – Manilla; Manilla Times

1995

Merlyn Elman – Buffalo Center Tribune
Rich Fellingham – KICD, Spencer; KASI, Ames
Leighton Hepker – KMAQ Radio, Maquoketa
Ron Novotny – KNOD Radio, Harlan
John Sullivan – Cascade Pioneer Advertiser
Larry Woellert – Manchester Press

1996

Jerry Bloom – Logan & Woodbine Papers
Denny Callahan – KLEM Radio, LeMars
Kevin Evans – Waterloo Courier
Bob Foster – KWAY Radio, Waverly
Ed Jenson – KWBG Radio, Boone
Vern Olson – KOAK Radio; Red Oak Express
Doug Rieder – KGRA Radio; Jefferson Herald

1997

Lee Hughes – KMA Radio, Shenandoah
M.E. Messersmith – Riceville Recorder
Larry Peterson – Creston News-Advertiser
Gary Rima – KOEL Radio, Oelwein

1998

Todd Kimm – Radio Iowa, Des Moines
Ray Locke – Waverly Newspapers
Brad Knowles – Denison Bulletin-Review
Dan McCool – Des Moines Register
Jerry Roberts – KDLS Radio, Jefferson
Herb Trapp – Dyersville Commerical

1999

Bruce Mathew – Oskaloosa Herald
Chuck Offenburger – Des Moines Register
Ron & Diane Seaman – Emmetsburg
Ed Rood – Photo-journalist Tri-County Times,
Slater

Mike Henderson – IGHSAU Information Director
Morris (Mo) Kelley – KWBG Radio; Boone News-
Republican; Publication Director, IHSAA

2000

Elwood W. Geary – Corwith Herald
Randy Grossman – KDSN Radio, Denison
Orin Harris – KLOW Radio, Forest City
Rich Holm – Fayette County Union, West Union
Heidi Soliday – KCCI-TV, Des Moines

2001

Dick Fridley – Waverly Newspapers
Kelly Neff – KWLO, Waterloo; KCJJ Radio, Ia City
Jim Sullivan – Waterloo Courier
John Walters – WOI-TV, Ames-Des Moines

2002

Steven Allspach – Sioux City Journal
Gary Determan – KROS Radio, Clinton
John Martenson – KGRN Radio, Grinnell
Fritz Nielsen – KLGA Radio, Algona
Tim Seaman – KCAU-TV, Sioux City

2003

Rick Coleman – KWWL-TV, Waterloo
Christopher Faulkner – Fort Madison Daily Dem.
Dave Paxton – Albia Newspapers
Dan Pearson – KWQC-TV, Davenport

2004

Todd Bailey – WHO-TV, Des Moines
Jeff Dahn – Cedar Rapids Gazette
Dale E. Gerlock – Fonda Times; Buena Vista Jrnal
Phil Monson – Humboldt Independent
Lance Renaud – KFJB-KXIA Radio, Marshalltown

2005

J.R. Ogden – Cedar Rapids Gazette
Mike Lyon – Mapleton Press
Mark Williamson – KTLB Radio, Fort Dodge
John Campbell – KCRG-TV, Cedar Rapids
Darren Miller – Tipton Conservative
Paul Struck – Cherokee Chronicle Times
Mike O’Connor – KCOG-KMGO Radio, Centerville

2006

Larry Cotlar – WHO, KXNO Radio
Jeff Linder – Cedar Rapids Gazette
Larry Morgan – MediaCom; State Boys BB
Keith Murphy – WHO-TV
BJ Schaben – KASI, Radio, MediaCom
Darin Svenson – KDEC, Decorah

2007

Herb Forsman – Sumner Gazette
Susan Harman – Iowa City Press-Citizen
Matt Levins – The Hawk Eye, Burlington

John O'Connor – Cherokee KCHE Radio
Mike Peasley – Spencer, KICD Radio
Steve Sigafoose – Co. Bluffs Nonpareil
Kevin White – Omaha World-Herald

2008

Chris Boeckman – Storm Lake, KAYL Radio
Ken Boesenberg – Manchester Press
Doug Broek – Sioux Center, KSOU Radio
Scott Campbell – North Scott Press
James Field – Atlantic, KJAN Radio
Dick Kelly – Ames Tribune
Jim Magdefrau – South Benton Star Press
K.J. Pilcher – Cedar Rapids Gazette

2009

Gerald (Jerry) Blue – Fayette County Union
Joey Elbert – Spirit Lake, KUOO Radio
Bill Haglund – Dallas County News
John Naughton – Des Moines Register
Scott Saville – Cedar Rapids, KCRG-TV
Ted Schultz – Clinton Herald

2010

Mike Baumgartner – 101.1FM The River, Dubuque
Kent Harshbarger – Mediapolis News
Donald Nielson – Avoca Journal
Dan Voigt – Emmetsburg Newspapers
Lori Wiser – Ocheyedan Press-Melvin News

2011

Perry Bell – Pella-Knoxville Newspapers
Dave Bingham – WOI-TV, Keep It Simple Sports
John Johnson, Maynard – US Amat. Wrestling News
Lee Muntz – Fairfield Radio
Scott Unash – KCRG/KGYM Radio, Cedar Rapids
Tammy Virgil – Columbus Gazette, Columbus Jct.

2012

Matt Coss – Muscatine Journal
John Gorman – Winterset Madisonian
Jerry Kiwala – Cedar Rapids WMT/Mediacom
W. E. “Ed” Littler – Adair News
Jerry & Terry Mertens, Preston Time
Ed Sidey, Greenfield-Adair County Free Press

2013

Dan Berns – Elkader, KCTN/KADR Radio
Scott Gonzales – Guthrie Center Times
Willie Freiburger – Bellevue Herald -Leader
Shawn Kenney – Perry, KDLS Radio
Scott Sailor – Iowa Cubs
Daryl Schepanski – Anamosa Journal-Eureka
G. Wyatt Schultz – The Predicament

2014

Robert Fisher - 3 Eagles Radio, M. City/Cl'r Lake
J.O. Parker – Grinnell, Poweshiek County CR

Barry Poe – Sioux City Journal
Ronald Slechta – Kalona News
Neil Trobak – Carroll Broadcasting

2015

Mark Amadeo – KWKY Radio, Des Moines
Tony Atzeni – Sports Spotlight, Des Moines
John Bohenkamp – Burlington, The HawkEye
Jerry Giese – Sioux City Journal
Kirk Hardcastle – Mason City Globe-Gazette

2016

Jeff Blankman – Carroll Broadcasting
John Jensen – Grundy Center Register
Jim Leitner – Dubuque Telegraph-Herald
Mike Oeffner – Harlan Newspapers
Ron Sturgis – Mason, Calhoun Co. Journal

2017

Troy Banning – Webster City Freeman-Journal
Beth Lutgen – Dyersville Commercial
Tom Robinson – Atlantic, KSOM Radio
Ross Thede – Marshalltown Times-Republican

2018

Les Houser – Wright County Monitor, Eagle Grove
Bill Logan – Manchester, KMCH Radio
Eric Pratt – Fort Dodge Messenger

2019

Bob Fenske – New Hampton Tribune
Matt Gengler – Missouri Valley Times-News
Bill McIntyre – Fort Dodge Messenger
Charles Nixon – Coon Rapids Enterprise