**National School Games Awards 2020**

The 2019/20 has been a Special Edition so the Awards this year will reflect this – therefore you will see below that the categories have been amended and some of the usual ones put on hold just for this year. We want to make sure the Awards reflect that the year has been different and all those involved have risen to the challenge to continue to provide high quality activities throughout the year for young people to engage with the School Games – also not forgetting that we had a “normal” Autumn term so many of the planned activities went ahead and it is an opportunity to highlight and celebrate both these and the extraordinarily creative ways in which School Games took place in Spring and Summer term.

We would welcome nominations for Awards from across the School Games Network – from schools, SGOs, Development Coaches, Active Partnerships and National Governing Bodies of Sport. The CLOSING DATE for nominations is Friday 2October 2020.

**Award Categories**

**Collaboration Award** – working together to create increased opportunities for young people. This could be at a county level and for counties that perhaps have used the challenging situation to come together more collectively than ever before to create a virtual School Games offer. It may be areas that have worked with alternative partners in new ways to create more opportunities for young people. Areas that can demonstrate how by working together it has identified where the greatest need is and thus worked in new ways to create meaningful opportunities which have made a difference to the young people.

**Innovation Award** – doing things differently to solve challenges at a local level

**Engaging Schools Award** – maintaining and growing relationships and engagement with schools to increase opportunities for young people to take part in School Games activities. An SGO area(s) that can demonstrate identifying those schools and young people most at need and providing appropriate new ways to engage in the School Games.

**Emerging SGO of the Year -** Recognising SGOs who having been in post 18 months or less and have made significant impact and progress in their area since starting the job in what has been a very different start to the job.

**Outstanding Contribution Award** – Recognise individuals that have played an enormous part in the development of the School Games and are regarded highly by their colleagues as role models and influencers in the world of PE and Sport.

**NGB of Year Award**– responding to the challenges that the year has given schools and the School Games network to provide appropriate competition and leadership opportunities for young people – this has created a greater demand/uptake for the sport.

**LOC of Year** - Awarded to the Local Organising Committee who has been able to demonstrate how they have worked collaboratively across their county to bring to life the School Games vision and mission, having built into their provision the principle of competition and are able to articulate the impact that this is having on young people engagement.

**Young Persons Award –** an U18 who during the COVID-19 period has had a significant impact on other young people by engaging and inspiring others to take part in the School Games in their area.

**Nomination Guidance**

* Nominations are welcomed from other SGOs and School Games staff, teachers, young people, NGBs, Active Partnerships, LOCs and Development Coaches.
* Individual self -nominations will not be accepted – an SGO may however put together an application on behalf of their county/group.
* All nomination forms will be considered by a panel comprising of members of the SGO/LOC consultation group, Senior Development Coach team, NGBs and YST staff.
* Shortlisted nominees will receive notification no later than 14 October 2020 with winners announced at the School Games Summit on 19th November 2020.
* All nominees will receive email acknowledgement that they have been put forward with a note of thanks for their work this year
* Criteria for shortlisting – We welcome nominations from SGOs with and without a wider Partnership structure however applications will only be considered in relation to how they can demonstrate impact towards achieving the Mission and Vision of the School Games and solely consider aspects of the role that are part of the core tasks of a School Games Organiser. Consideration will be taken with applications that highlight how SGOs have adapted their working practices during COVID-19 to support schools and young people engage in School Games

**Supporting Information**

* Read the general criteria, which is applicable to all awards
* Bring the nomination to life with examples, quotes, social media posts, photos etc
* The judging panel can only use the details you provide in the nomination form.
* Nominees can only be judged in the category they have been nominated in.
* If you wish to nominate someone for more than one award, please complete one form per Award category.

All nominations will need to demonstrate how nominees meet the following criteria:

* connect with and understand young people as individuals to ensure their offer is needs led
* inclusive in their practice and put welfare, safety and well-being first
* help people develop a positive attitude towards the School Games, sport and physical activity
* creates an environment where people feel motivated and empowered
* committed to ongoing learning and development of themselves and others.
* Role models positive behaviours always

**School Games National Awards 2019-20 - Nomination Form**

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| Which Category is this nomination for? | Collaboration |  |
| Innovation |  |
| Engaging Schools |  |
| NGB of Year |  |
| LOC of Year |  |
| Outstanding Contribution Award |  |
| Emerging SGO of the Year |  |
| Young Persons Award |  |
| **Your Details** | | |
| **Name** |  | |
| **Role** |  | |
| Organisation/School |  | |
| Phone Number |  | |
| Email |  | |
| **Nominee Details** | | |
| Name |  | |
| Organisation/School – if more than one organisation please state County/area |  | |
| Role |  | |
| Lead Contact Name and Email (if nominating more than one person) |  | |
| Age (if nomination for Young Persons Award |  | |
| Please provide in no more than 300 words how you feel the person/group you are nominating should be considered for the Award | | |
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| Please provide specific details of projects or work that they have undertaken in the last 12months which embodies why you are nominating them | | |
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| Please include a short statement/quotes from another source to support your nomination | | |
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