LSUS Student Organizations Annual Awards

There will be a leadership awards banquet at the end of each spring semester. The Student Organizations Council (SOC) will give out the following awards: LSUS Outstanding Student Organization of the Year, Outstanding Campus Participation, Outstanding Community Service, Outstanding New Student Organization, Outstanding Growth of a Student Organization, Student Organization Advisor of the Year, and Student Organization Leader of the Year.

A STUDENT ORGANIZATION MUST SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR AWARDS.

Annual reports will be used to help determine the LSUS Outstanding Student Organization of the Year, Outstanding New Student Organization, Outstanding Campus Participation Award, and Outstanding Community Service Award. These awards will be determined by the SOC advisor and the SOC Awards Committee based on the point system outlined below.

LSUS OUTSTANDING ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR & OUTSTANDING NEW ORGANIZATION

Campus/University Participation: An organization can earn up to a total of 20 points.
- 20 points will be awarded to an organization if it participated in WOW Fair, Spring Fling, Fall Fest, Welcome Back Bonfire, and a Rec Sports League.
- 15 points will be awarded to an organization if it participated in WOW Fair, Spring Fling, Fall Fest, and the Welcome Back Bonfire.
- 10 points will be awarded to an organization if it participated in WOW Fair, Spring Fling, and Fall Fest.
- 5 points will be awarded to an organization if it participated in any one of the following: WOW Fair, Spring Fling or Fall Fest.

Campus/University Events: An organization can earn up to 25 points.
- Only five campus service activities will be considered. If the organization has participated in more than five campus service activities, it will be considered for the Outstanding Campus Service Award.
  - 5 points will be awarded to an organization for each activity.

Community Service: An organization can earn up to a total of 25 points.
- Only five community service activities will be considered. If an organization has participated in more than 5 community service activities, it will be considered for the Outstanding Community Service Award.
  - 5 points will be awarded to an organization for each activity.

SOC Meeting Attendance: An organization can earn up to a total of 10 points.
- 10 points will be awarded to an organization if a representative of that organization has attended all of the SOC meetings for the academic school year.
5 points will be awarded to an organization if a representative of that organization has only missed one SOC meeting for the academic school year.

If an organization has missed more than two SOC meetings during the academic year, the organization will be disqualified for all awards. (The organization is on probation.)

**Registration:** An organization can earn up to a total of 5 points.

- 5 points will be awarded to the organization if the organization’s registration form is submitted on time for the academic year. (By the first meeting in October).
- If the organization’s registration form is submitted at or after the first SOC meeting of the year, the organization is disqualified.

**SOC Awards Committee Points:** An organization can earn up to a total of 15 points.

- 0-15 points can be awarded to the organization based on the committee’s overall impression of the submitted annual report. The committee will consider layout and clarity of report, magnitude and impact of events and accomplishments reported, and the organizations contributions to the campus and local community.
- The SOC Awards Committee will be comprised of 5-8 LSUS students representing various student organizations.

**The Categories are totaled as followed:**

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The Organization with the highest total points will be recognized at the Student Leadership and Involvement Awards Banquet as the LSUS Outstanding Student Organization of the Year.

**Outstanding Community Service Award**

Organizations that have actively participated in more than five community service activities over the course of the academic school year will be considered by the committee for the Outstanding Community Service Award.

Base Score: Each organization begins with the score they received in the Community Service category per the LSUS Outstanding Student Organization of the Year Award form.

For each community service act the organization performed after five, the organization will receive 10 points.

- The organization will receive 10 bonus points for 100% member participation.
- The organization will receive 5 bonus points for member participation of at least 50% but less than 100%.
- The maximum number of points for each community service act an organization has participated in is 20 points. The minimum possible is 10 points.

The organization with the highest total points will be recognized at the Student Leadership and Involvement Awards with the LSUS Outstanding Community Service Award.
**Outstanding Campus Service**

Organizations that have participated in more than five campus service activities during the academic school year will be considered for the Outstanding Campus Service Award.

Base Score: Each organization begins with the score they received in the Campus/University Events category per the LSUS Outstanding Student Organization of the Year Award form.

For each campus service act the organization performed after five the organization will receive 10 points.
- The organization will receive 10 bonus points for 100% member participation.
- The organization will receive 5 bonus points for member participation of at least 50% but less than 100%.
- The maximum number of points for each community service act an organization has participated in is 20 points. The minimum possible is 10 points.

The organization with the highest total points will be recognized at the Student Leadership and Involvement Awards with the LSUS Outstanding Campus Service Award.

The LSUS Outstanding Student Organization Advisor of the Year and LSUS Outstanding Student Leader of the Year will be chosen by a committee of faculty, staff and students.

**Outstanding Growth of a Student Organization**

The organization recognized for Outstanding Growth is chosen by the committee based on the annual report. Organizations must complete the annual report and indicate significant changes made by the organization since the previous academic year(s). Organizations wishing to be considered are encouraged to provide as much detail as possible about new activities or initiatives undertaken by the group.

**Outstanding Student Organization Advisor of the Year**

The Outstanding Student Organization Advisor of the Year is chosen by the committee based on nomination forms turned in by students. Students must turn in an LSUS Outstanding Organization Advisor of the Year form which is available in the University Center Office. The LSUS Outstanding Student Organization Advisor of the Year will be recognized for his or her outstanding contributions and service to that organization and the University. The LSUS Outstanding Student Organization Advisor of the Year will be honored at the Student Leadership Awards.

**Outstanding Student Organization Leader of the Year**

The Outstanding Student Leader of the Year will be selected by the committee based on Student Leader of the Year nomination forms turned in by student organization faculty/staff advisors and students. Forms can be picked up in the University Center Office or online. The Student Leader of the Year Award will recognize the outstanding contributions and service a deserving LSUS student has made to an organization(s) and the University. The LSUS Outstanding Student Leader of the Year will be honored at the Student Leadership and Involvement Awards.