

Awards by the Numbers

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I have many thanks and congratulations this month as we move into phase 2, regional/national judging.

- Congratulations to all individuals and teams for submitting award applications. Submitting an award application is a significant undertaking, and we applaud your efforts. We congratulate the winning entries that moved on to regional/national judging.
- Thank you to the NEAFCS awards training subcommittee for writing articles, delivering training, and [creating new video training modules](#). You are very creative in your approach!
- My appreciation goes to all the state affiliate vice presidents of awards and recognition and all those who helped judge. Thank you, state VPs, for coordinating the state submission and judging process. All state affiliate vice presidents entered their state winners by the national deadline in mid-March. For state VPs with many affiliate members, this is a big process!
 - One reminder for affiliate members: Be sure to list the state deadline on your calendar for 2022; it usually is two to four weeks before the national deadline to allow for state judging.
- Special thanks to Will Ferguson from the NEAFCS management company, my partner in the awards and recognition process. I appreciate his technical skills, creativity, patience, and attention to detail.



Here are the 2021 Awards by the Numbers:

- 632 applications were submitted in 2021.
- 473 applicants moved to regional/national judging.
- 32 affiliates had applicants.
- 102 affiliate members volunteered to judge.
- 60 affiliate members were randomly selected to judge.
- April 16: date for judges to have their scores back.
- Early May: Applicants will be informed whether or not their application was judged a winning entry at the national level and/or regional level.

Thanks to everyone for your work in family and consumer sciences. I was pleased to see so many submissions and the wide array of excellent work that is done to help people in communities across the country. We look forward to celebrating with all of you at our 2021 conference!