



MOAPT Hall of Fame

MOAPT Hall of Fame Statement of Purpose

The MOAPT Hall of Fame honors individuals who have made exceptional, lasting contributions to the Missouri Association for Pupil Transportation or to the student transportation industry. Inductees are recognized as industry leaders for their unique impact and extraordinary dedication.

Criteria for Induction

Induction into the MOAPT Hall of Fame is MOAPT's highest honor, based on:

- **Personal Contributions:** Extraordinary time, energy, or financial commitment to MOAPT or student transportation.
- **Eminence:** Achievements in communication, leadership, advocacy, research, or education that distinguish the nominee.
- **Influence:** Significant impact on MOAPT and/or student transportation, even within a specific field (e.g., engineering, training).
- **Permanence:** Likely long-term value of the nominee's accomplishments to future student transportation professionals.

Eligibility Guidelines

Nominees must be or have been MOAPT individual or business partner members at the time of major contributions or, if not, must have served in a role that significantly impacted the industry. Living nominees are preferred, though posthumous awards are possible. Current MOAPT Board members are ineligible.

Nomination Process

- **Annual Nominations:** Nomination deadlines are set annually by the Board. Each entity may nominate one individual per year.
- **Required Information:** Nomination forms must include:
 1. A biographical sketch
 2. Summary of major accomplishments
 3. Significant activities and contributions
 4. List of relevant service roles
 5. A professional black-and-white and color headshot

Incomplete forms or those not confidentially submitted will be rejected. Completed forms should be sent directly to MOAPT.

Selection Process

- **Screening Committee:** The screening committee comprises the Executive Director, Executive Committee, and one Hall of Fame Member. The committee reviews each nomination for eligibility and adherence to criteria. If confidential submission is breached, the nomination may be rejected.
- **Selection Committee:** Chaired by the MOAPT President. Members to include at least 2 but no more than four appointed board members and at least one but no more than three current Hall of Fame Members. The committee votes by secret ballot. A nominee requires a 67% majority for induction. Nominees with a minimum 50% favorable vote remain eligible for the next year.

Only two nominees may be selected each year unless waived by the Board.

Announcement and Induction Ceremony

Inductees are personally notified by the MOAPT President before public announcement. The induction ceremony is held during the annual MOAPT meeting, with honorees and their families invited to attend. Inductees receive:

1. Lifetime MOAPT individual membership
2. Exemption from conference registration fees
3. Customized plaque
4. Travel expenses for the induction ceremony