

## DISTRICT INNOVATION AWARD

### Purpose

The purpose of this award is to recognize the District that, during a calendar year, has implemented an innovative program or activity focused on District Leadership or Management for the District, its Sections, and its members. This award should inspire other Districts to be creative in the ways that they engage their members and build community. This is a District-only award.

The District must be able to effectively describe the strategy that was implemented, including any background to provide for a clear understanding as to why the strategy was needed, as well as what they hoped to achieve through the program or activity, the effectiveness of the steps taken to reach the goals, and the final result achieved. Metrics should be included with submission.

### Award

Award will consist of a trophy or plaque, which will be given at the ITE Annual Meeting and Exhibition Awards Luncheon, and recognition in *ITE Journal*.

### Submission/Selection Process

To enter the competition, the District must submit a narrative no longer than three pages long, single spaced with no more than one page of photographs (four pages total). The award will be judged by a Committee of ITE Board members.

The District Awards Coordinator should submit nominations electronically as one PDF by **April 1** via <https://ite-awards.secure-platform.com/a/>. If you have questions, please email [awards@ite.org](mailto:awards@ite.org).

### Judging Criteria

- **50 points** – Overall impact on how innovative approach(es) resulted in positive changes for the District and its Sections, and engaged the members.
- **10 points** – How well the metrics were achieved
- **40 points** – Degree to which District activities are deemed innovative but applicable to other Districts.

The District with the highest composite score will be the award winner. The District president will serve as the award recipient on behalf of the District.