

Schools' Award for Ambition and Progress

Criteria

When shortlisting, the judging panel will be particularly looking for a school that has:

- advocated for a strategically motivated change / activity
- successfully put this in motion
- made a positive difference to the school's ability and capacity to engage its community and fundraise

This award is open to schools of any size, and at any stage of their development journey. Judges will refer to the school details provided in the nomination when deliberating, to ensure that varying levels of staff resource and development experience are accounted for.

There are two categories:

- 1. Recognising success in progressing the development strategy in schools where development has been **established for five years or less**
- 2. Recognising success in progressing the development strategy in schools where development has been **established for six years or more**

Entry Rules

- The activity can constitute any strategic or operational activity that is not a specific fundraising or engagement campaign
- The activity may have started before 2023 and needn't be complete, but the progress to which the nomination relates to must have occurred in the 2022/23 academic year
- You can nominate your own school
- You can nominate a campaign from another school that you feel deserves recognition, but please note, if nominating another school, we will only share the information you have provided and therefore, we would suggest you discuss your nomination with the respective school ahead of submission
- The nomination must include a statement (up to 200 words) describing:
 - \circ the aim/s of the activity, and why this was ambitious for your school
 - what you did and the progress you have made
 - \circ how the activity has helped to advance the development strategy for your school
- Please provide supplementary information to support your nomination, such as statistics/data, examples of marketing materials, website links, testimonials, photos, video, etc.
- Please provide a school logo
- All nominations forms must be received by 17:00 on Friday 29 September 2023
- Nominations will be shortlisted by an independent judging panel in October 2023 and a maximum of three entries will be chosen in each category, for each award



• The winner will be voted for, from the shortlist, by IDPE members during IDPE's Celebration of Giving, Monday 13 – Friday 17 November, and the winners announced on Friday 17 November 2023