



Ohio Middle Level Association

2026 COMPONENT AWARD

Advisor/Advisee

Component Award Description

Schools that embrace an Advisor/Advisee model in order to provide adult advocacy for all middle level students.

Application Criteria

- Schools that apply must be current OMLA Institutional Members.
- A school may apply for a component award in more than one area.
- A school that has received a component award cannot be nominated for a component award in the same area for the following two years.
- Applications must be received by the posted deadline.
- Applicant provides documentation that demonstrates exemplary practices in the specific Component Award area.

Awarding the Honor

- A committee of the Ohio Middle Level Association Executive Board members will review all applications.
- Applicants that meet the criteria on paper are notified and a site-visitation team of OMLA members and/or consultants is scheduled to verify the middle level component practice.
- Recipients will be recognized at the state conference awards reception with a plaque honoring their accomplishment.

****All criteria below must be addressed in the written application to be considered.***

Criteria/Rating Scale

4 - Accomplished **3** - Proficient **2** - Developing **1** - Limited/No evidence

Award Criteria

- Criterion 1** Give clear evidence that an Advisor/Advisee Program supports the mission statements of the district and school and is reflective of the middle level philosophy.
- Criterion 2** Give clear evidence that the Advisor/Advisee Program is scheduled on a regular basis, with sufficient time allotted to conduct activities.
- Criterion 3** Describe how all teachers and or other staff members have the opportunity to be involved as advisors.
- Criterion 4** Describe how the Advisor/Advisee is a process developed through a set of experiences that establishes rapport between adults and students.
- Criterion 5** Provide evidence that Parents are well informed about the advisor/advisee program and the opportunities for each student.
- Criterion 6** Describe the goals of the Advisor/Advisee Program and how the staff was a part of the process.
- Criterion 7** Describe of the program will be evaluated each year.

Applications must be submitted online or postmarked no later than March 6, 2026

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About the School

Name of School: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Name of School District: _____

Name of Principal: _____

Student Enrollment: _____ Grades: _____

Brief narrative of the school demographics: _____

About the Person(s) Completing the Application

Person(s) Completing Application: _____

Date of Submission: _____

Please provide one point of contact for communications:

Contact's Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Please address each criterion with a separate written response

citing examples and/or evidence. *Please attach a separate sheet for each Criterion Heading.*

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