

# JCEA Lion Award nomination information & form

The Lion Award was derived from a speech that James Reynolds, former Director of the Colorado Civil Rights Commission, gave at the 1980 CEA Delegate Assembly which was recognizing him for his outstanding contributions to human rights.

Reynolds told the delegates that as a youngster, and all through his life, he experienced negativism, exclusion, and an overt desire to survive. In his desire to survive, he turned to nature for understanding. When he found that rabbits are shot at more often than lions, he decided to become a lion. He encouraged all teachers to become lions in their classrooms and in the pursuit of their professional rights.

To encourage teacher lions, JCEA created the Lion Award, which has been awarded annually since 1982. Criteria for a Lion Award includes:

1. UEP member
2. Extensive involvement in contract maintenance or bargaining
3. Consistent involvement in Association activities and/or programs in teacher rights
4. Consistent advocacy of the human and civil rights of teachers and students
5. Consistent demonstration of concern for the advancement of the teaching profession.

**Please return this nomination form to JCEA by the end of the second week of March.**

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I/We place in nomination the name of : \_\_\_\_\_

Present assignment: \_\_\_\_\_ Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_

The nominee has been a JCEA member for \_\_\_\_ years.

Describe the nominee's experience in contract maintenance or bargaining: \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe the nominee's involvement in activities and/or programs that support, promote or enhance teacher rights: \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe the nominee's advocacy for human and civil rights of teachers and/or students: \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe the nominee's demonstration of concern for the advancement of the teaching profession: \_\_\_\_\_

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Other reasons for consideration for the award: \_\_\_\_\_

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Background information to be used if person is selected for award: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Use additional sheets if needed.**