

SFCA Awards 2021

Celebrating and showcasing outstanding practice in the 16 – 19 sector



Award	Guidelines
Curriculum innovation	The winner of this award will have introduced a new development to the curriculum (e.g. use of learning technologies, a new pedagogical approach, focus on creativity) whose impact will be felt across curriculum disciplines
Community impact	The winner of this award will have made a special contribution to the wider community (e.g. youth social action, charity, enterprise), whose benefits will be felt by both community and college
Health and well-being	The winner of this award will have made an exceptional contribution to the well-being, emotional health and engagement of students and/or staff (e.g. diagnostic and evaluative systems, early identification and intervention), whose impact will shape the college's environment, culture and outcomes.
Enrichment & employability	The winner of this award will have led a programme of activity (e.g. learning outside the classroom, social clubs, work experience, business links) that has complemented the taught curriculum and enhanced student destination prospects
Independent learning	The winner of this award will have led or initiated an exceptional programme of, or a specific activity relating to, independent learning, linked to the taught curriculum and preparing students for university and the workplace
Governance	The winner of this award will have made an exceptional contribution to college developments, (e.g. supporting and challenging executive leadership teams, generating fresh ideas, maintaining and improving standards) whose impact has led to improved outcomes for young people and a better standing for the institution
Social mobility	The winner of this award will have demonstrated a significant contribution to the social mobility agenda. This may take the form of a college strategy or a team/individual's initiative, and will illustrate a commitment to supporting learners from all communities and to enhancing life chances for all young people
Covid Above and Beyond	A special category to recognise those who have made a significant impact beyond their own immediate sphere of influence in the last 12 months, in the context of, for example, students attending throughout lockdown; remote learning; mental health and well-being, community spirit. All nominees will be celebrated

Eligibility

Each Award may be made to any of the following:

- ❖ *College*
- ❖ *Staff member*
- ❖ *Staff team*
- ❖ *Student(s)*
- ❖ *Governor(s)*

Applications

Each application will address 4 headings:

- ❖ *Description of activity (350 words max)*
- ❖ *Evidence of impact (200 words max)*
- ❖ *Future development (150 words max)*
- ❖ *5-10 bullet point Top Tips for ensuring successful implementation*

Key dates

- ❖ The deadline for completed submissions is midday, 23rd April 2021
- ❖ Completed applications should be emailed as a word document to: info@sixthformcolleges.org
- ❖ Applications will be judged by a panel of SFCA Council members
- ❖ Awards will be announced and presented at the SFCA Summer Conference Awards ceremony taking place on 16th June 2021
- ❖ The top three ranking entries for each award category, a winner and two runners-up, will be invited to attend the Awards ceremony

If you have any queries regarding the awards process, please contact info@sixthformcolleges.org or call 020 3824 0468