

Past Award Recipients

JAMES BRYANT CONANT AWARD*

2025 Aaron Thompson	2008 Ron Wolk	1992 Theodore R.Sizer
2024 Angela Jerabek	2007 Gaston Caperton	1991 James P. Comer
2023 Daniel Domenech	2006 Nancy S. Grasmick	1989 Fred M. Hechinger
2022 Bernard A. Harris, Jr.	2005 Sharon Lynn Kagan	1988 Lamar Alexander
2021 Michael Kirst	2004 Thurgood Marshall and John H. Stelle	1987 Marian Wright Edelman
2020 Philip Uri Treisman	2003 Roy Romer	1986 Harold Howe II
2019 AJ Crabill	2002 Robert P. Moses	1985 Terrel H. Bell and David P. Gardner
2018 Bill Haslam	2001 Fred Rogers	1984 James B. Hunt Jr.
2017 Lowell Milken	2000 John Goodlad	1983 Carl Perkins
2016 Sal Khan	1999 Frank Newman	1982 John Brademas
2015 William L. Sanders	1998 Robert Slavin	1981 Terry Sanford
2014 Marc Tucker	1997 Claiborne Pell	1980 Ralph Tyler
2013 Gene Wilhoit	1996 John W. Gardner	1979 Francis Keppel
2012 E.D. Hirsch	1995 Richard W. Riley	1978 Joan Ganz Cooney
2011 Ted Kolderie	1994 Ernest L. Boyer	1977 Benjamin Mays
2010 Linda Darling-Hammond	1993 Wilhelmina Delco	
2009 Kati Haycock		

*No award given in 1990.

FRANK NEWMAN AWARD

2025 Indiana	2015 Kentucky	2006 Kentucky
2024 North Dakota	2014 Illinois	2005 Florida and Utah
2023 Mississippi	2013 Delaware	2004 North Carolina and South Carolina
2022 California	2012 New Hampshire	2003 Maryland
2021 Utah	2011 New England Secondary School Consortium	2002 Alabama and Texas
2020 Arkansas	2010 Ohio	2001 Georgia
2019 Idaho	2009 Tennessee	2000 Connecticut
2018 Tennessee	2008 North Dakota	1999 North Carolina
2017 Hawaii	2007 Alaska	1998 Oregon
2016 Mississippi		



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EDUCATION COMMISSION OF THE STATES CORPORATE AWARD

2025 DonorsChoose	2017 Unum	2006 Public Broadcasting Service (PBS)
2024 Dolly Parton and the Dollywood Foundation	2016 Newseum	2005 Hewlett Packard Company
2023 Code.org	2013 Scholastic	2004 MBNA Corporation
2022 Belk Foundation	2012 GE Foundation	2003 Intel Corporation and Washington Mutual
2021 The Kresge Foundation	2011 ExxonMobil	2002 State Farm Insurance Companies
2020 Crayola	2010 AT&T	2001 MetLife and MetLife Foundation
2019 The Tennessee School Boards Association	2009 Project Lead The Way	
2018 The IBM Foundation	2008 Simon Youth Foundation	
	2007 Pearson	