NNPS invites applications for the 2015 Partnership Organization Awards to recognize excellent programs of school, family, and community partnerships. YOUR ORGANIZATION is eligible to apply IF it has been a member of NNPS for two years or more and can show that it is helping states, districts, and/or schools use research-based approaches from NNPS to develop and improve their programs of family and community involvement.

Put your organization in the spotlight! Celebrate the hard work that you and your colleagues are doing to help states, districts, and/or schools involve more families in ways that support student success!

**TAKE THESE 3 STEPS!**

1. Submit one of your organization’s best practices for review for *Promising Partnership Practices 2015*. Go to the NNPS website at [http://www.partnershipschools.org](http://www.partnershipschools.org). Click on Success Stories and submit a practice for organizations. Due by **May 15**.

   NOTE: You may use your organization’s 2015 *Promising Partnership Practice* questionnaire as the response to either **Topic A or B** in your award application.

   Make a copy of your questionnaire. Label it **For Award Application: Topic A or B**.

   In that way, you will have completed **one-half** of the award application!

   If you missed the deadline for *Promising Partnership Practices*, you still may apply for a *Partnership Organization Award*. Use the organization questionnaire for Topic A or B.

2. In NNPS, some organizations work “like a DISTRICT” and other organizations work “like a STATE” in their leadership on partnerships.

   **How does your organization work?** (Check one.)

   - **More like a DISTRICT.** This organization provides professional development directly to individual *schools’ Action Teams for Partnerships (ATPs)*, conducts projects with schools on partnerships, and communicates directly with schools and families in one or more districts.

     If you checked this description, use the **NNPS Partnership District Award application**. Substitute the word “organization” for “district” and complete the application.

   - **More like a STATE Department of Education or Regional Service Center.** This organization provides professional development on partnerships to **many districts** in one or more regions of the state, or provides information about partnerships to educators throughout the state.

     If you checked this description, use the **NNPS Partnership STATE Award application**. Substitute the word “organization” for “state” and complete the application.

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3. COMPLETE AND SUBMIT THE APPLICATION

Create a COVER PAGE for the 2015 Partnership Organization Award application. List ALL of the following:

1. Name of Organization
2. Application selected: STATE or DISTRICT
3. Key Contact to NNPS
4. Mailing address
5. Phone
6. Fax
7. E-mail address
8. Organization’s Website
9. CEO/Director of Organization
10. Summer contact
11. Summer contact’s phone and E-mail

APPLICATION CHECKLIST
SEE THE REQUIRED ATTACHMENT

Check ☑ and submit ALL of the following to NNPS by mail or as E-mail attachments

☐ Cover page with the 11 items of information listed above.

☐ Responses to Topics A and B in the selected application. Label one Promising Partnership Practices questionnaire for EITHER topic A or B. Label the other narrative. Give activity A and activity B clear titles.

☐ REQUIRED ATTACHMENT. Copy of the Key Contact to NNPS’s leadership plan for partnerships for 14-15 (THIS) school year. The organization leader’s written plan or schedule for work on partnerships may be on an NNPS or locally developed form.

☐ Optional attachments for Topic A and B (2 each/maximum) in the selected application. 

(Please keep a copy of all submissions for your records.)

Submit ALL items by JUNE 30, 2015 by mail OR E-mail to:

Dr. Joyce L. Epstein and Awards Committee
National Network of Partnership Schools
Johns Hopkins University
2701 N. Charles Street, Suite 300
Baltimore, MD 21218

OR

E-Mail Word files and attachments or .pdf documents to nnps@jhu.edu.

Check for a confirmation from NNPS that the E-mailed application and attachments were received.