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Dear Library Media Specialists:

This year GKCASL would like to present the **Outstanding Advocate of the Library Award**. The purpose of the award is to recognize a person or group who has performed outstanding service or made significant contributions to school library media centers within the membership area of GKCASL of Kansas City, Missouri. The benefits of the award are twofold: 1) the award provides visibility for contributions made by community members to school libraries, and 2) it increases public awareness of the value of libraries to the total educational process.

The nominee must be a person or organization who works within the GKCASL membership area, but is not compensated monetarily by a Greater Kansas City, Missouri school district. Nominees may include, but not be limited to: volunteers, community members, state personnel, public library personnel, civic groups, and businesses or corporations.

A completed nomination form and two letters of support for each nomination must be submitted to Jana Stidham. The Outstanding Advocate of the Library Award is considered for presentation every other year, alternating with the **Colleague for Library Excellence Award**.

Nominations must be made by a GKCASL member, and be **postmarked no later than February 15, 2011**. Once the nominations have been received, the committee will select the winner, who will be notified immediately. The committee does reserve the right to recommend that no citation be awarded. The recipient will be formally recognized and presented with an engraved plaque at the 2011 GKCASL Spring Banquet.

Sincerely,

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