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Nominations are being accepted for the 2005 GCSAA Excellence in Government Relations Awards. The EGR Awards recognize and honor outstanding individual and chapter efforts in the areas of advocacy and compliance. Nominees will be judged on how their efforts best serve the interests of the golf course superintendent profession and the golf course management industry. The awards reflect all government relations efforts, and are not limited to the previous year's activities.

Any GCSAA member superintendent, assistant superintendent or chapter is eligible to receive an EGR Award. Current members of the GCSAA Board of Directors (or their immediate families) are not eligible to receive EGR Awards. Any GCSAA member, chapter and chapter executives may submit nominations. Self-nominations are also encouraged. Those who were nominated last year, but did not receive an award, are eligible again this year.

- You might know a chapter member who is conducting advocacy and compliance activities on behalf of the industry. Why not get that individual recognized for his or her efforts?
- Have you or your chapter influenced legislation or regulations affecting the profession by working directly with lawmakers or serving on local and statewide committees?
- Have you or your chapter worked with state regulatory officials to develop best management practices for the golf industry?
- Have you organized efforts and actions that sought to highlight critical issues important to golf course superintendents?
- Has your chapter conducted an advocacy day at your state capitol where you were able to build relationships with lawmakers and educate them on golf course management practices?
- Do you know someone who has helped fellow superintendents become compliant on environmental or worker safety laws and regulations?

If you know individuals or chapters whose contributions to the industry deserve to be rewarded, GCSAA would like to know about them. Please take a moment to nominate yourself, a GCSAA chapter or a deserving peer for an EGR Award. Applications are available online or in hard copy format through GCSAA's Customer Solution Center at (800) 472-7878. Nominations will be accepted until October 15, 2004. For more information about the EGR Awards program, contact Erica Brown, government relations coordinator, at ebrown@gcsaa.org or (800) 472-7878, ext. 4453.



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