

Science Wall of Honor Guidelines

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1. Intent: To honor those who have distinguished themselves in the sciences and to McMurry University. Plaques will be placed in the Science Building and awarded to the recipients or their families to commemorate their accomplishments.
2. Membership: A balance between successful alumni and science faculty who have made exceptional contributions to the education of McMurry's science students is both desired and preferred.
3. Frequency: A Presentation of new Wall of Honor inductees will be every five years beginning in the fall of 2010.
4. Selection Criteria:
 - Alumni-At least two of the following criteria must be met for consideration
 - Should have distinguished record from McMurry
 - Should have been the recipient of significant recognition for their work at the regional and preferably national or international level
 - Should have demonstrated unusual support for McMurry over the years
 - Faculty-At least three of the following criteria must be met for consideration:
 - Should have been a faculty member at McMurry
 - Should have demonstrated unusual excellence in the classroom
 - Should have demonstrated continued excellence of scholarship in the field
 - Should have exhibited exceptional service to the science students of McMurry
 - Special Cases-In some instances, individuals who have made truly outstanding contributions to McMurry but who do not otherwise meet selection criteria may be nominated for inclusion. In such cases, the nominator must make a compelling case for consideration of the individual.
5. Method of Selection: An individual appointed by the SMAB will serve as the main facilitator for the Wall of Honor selection process. Individuals will be nominated by SMAB members, science alumni, and the McMurry community not later than the SMAB Fall Meeting of the year prior to the presentation of awards. Final selection of Honorees will be determined by the SMAB membership no later than the spring meeting of the presentation year. The SMAB may modify these guidelines any time if they feel circumstances warrant such action.
6. Induction: Individuals elected to the Science Wall of Honor and/or family representatives will be invited to attend as guests of honor a special induction ceremony, at which time the plaques will be unveiled. Plaques will be mounted in the Science Building, and a replica of the plaque will be awarded to the inductee or family representative at this time.
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