



## **Henry Schein Medical Athletics & Schools Rising Star Award Nomination and Application Process**

### **About the Award**

The Henry Schein Medical Athletics & Schools Rising Star Award (“Rising Star Award”) is intended to recognize emerging Athletic Trainers who are recent graduates with 1-5 years of experience in the Sports Medicine industry. Successful candidates will have not yet reached a senior or chief-level position, but their track record should reflect a strong career trajectory with the possibility of forward advancement and potential for appointment at the highest levels of the profession.

Awards will be made at the discretion of the **Henry Schein Medical Athletics & Schools Recognition Committee (“Recognition Committee”)**, which may choose to grant one award or no award in any one year.

### **Nomination Requirements**

Nominations for the Rising Star Award should be submitted with the candidate's permission. Self-nominations will not be accepted. It is the responsibility of the nominator to summarize the nominee's achievements, growth in professional stature, and accomplishments in sufficient detail, documenting why the individual should be recognized as a "rising star" in the profession. Each nomination submitted must adhere to the guidelines below.

The nomination must include:

### **Nominee Background**

As part of the nomination, please submit the candidate's professional resume or link to their bio to provide the Recognition Committee with a comprehensive overview of the candidate’s accomplishments and experiences. Please note this information is not a substitute for any of the required information listed in the items below.

### **Nomination Criteria**

#### **Required:**

- How did they go beyond the normal requirements of their job?

#### **Encouraged to answer all, but MUST answer at least one of the below for consideration:**

- What have they done to stand out in their community?
- Was there an issue, problem, or situation they helped successfully address?
- What unique impact have they made within the industry or their community?

### **Nomination Guidelines**

After reviewing the nominations, the Recognition Committee may ask for additional information to inform their evaluation of the candidates. Rising Star candidates selected to advance will be required to submit the information below:

- Full name
- Associated organization / employer



- Link to bio or resume
- Social handle(s)
- Image of themselves in action (without students or athletes identified), or
- Video of themselves responding to a question posed by the Recognition Committee, with the goal of underlining why they should be named “Rising Star”

### **Guidelines and Eligibility**

- Candidates must be at an early stage (0-5 years, with exceptions made in certain circumstances) in their Athletic Training career, working in sports programs ranging from early education to professional sports.
- Candidates must demonstrate exceptional and ongoing achievements, making a significant impact on their institution(s) and/or to the profession.
- Candidates may not be employed by Henry Schein Inc. (or its subsidiaries) or be part of the Recognition Committee.
- Candidates will be selected based on three primary factors:
  - Description of the candidate’s role and the resulting positive outcomes that demonstrate exceptional early and ongoing achievement.
  - Evidence that the contributions of the candidate are having a sustained and positive impact on his or her institution and/or the profession.

### **The Selection Process**

1. Once nominations close, the Recognition Committee deliberates on the entire list of candidates, selecting the top three finalists as a group.
2. Pending confirmation of their participation, each of the three finalists is presented on social media, through email, and listed on the website.
3. Voting opens to the public to select the winner, who is chosen by receiving the most votes.
  - a. Please note that if you are selected as a finalist, you are encouraged to share the voting link with your community

### **Recognition & Award**

Award recipients will be recognized on Henry Schein Medical Athletics & Schools website, social media platforms, and in email campaigns. The winner may also have the opportunity to join us in the Henry Schein Athletics & Schools NATA tradeshow booth.\* Additionally, the winner may be recognized on supplier partners’, social media pages.\*\*

\*Pending NATA hosts an in-person event, and the Henry Schein Medical Athletics & Schools team elects to reserve a booth.

\*\* Pending content can be delivered to supplier partners by required deadlines.

Exclusion criteria in compliance with the Sunshine Act is outlined below for Rising Star nominees.

- Doctor
- Dentist



- Physician assistants
- Nurse practitioners
- Clinical nurse specialists
- Certified registered nurse anesthetists and
- Certified nurse midwives

### **Recognition Committee**

A Recognition Committee is chosen annually and are charged with maintaining quality standards for the Henry Schein Medical Athletics & Schools Rising Star Award.

Committee members are at senior levels of their career from a range of backgrounds, professional experience, geographic locations, etc. The committee is comprised of athletic trainers at varying levels of sports, including high school, collegiate, and professional. Henry Schein, Inc. does not control or exercise control over the Recognition Committee and no member of the Recognition Committee is an employee of Henry Schein, Inc. (or its subsidiaries). All decisions related to the selection of the Rising Star Award recipient are made solely by the Recognition Committee.