



## **2020 CEC Susan Phillips Gorin Award Nomination Information**

**Nomination Deadline: July 15, 2019**

The Susan Phillips Gorin Award honors a member of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) who has demonstrated exemplary personal and professional qualities while making outstanding contributions to CEC and to children with exceptionalities. This award was initiated in 1982 by the Student CEC Board of Governors and is named for Ms. Gorin who served as the coordinator of student activities from 1975-1982.

### **Award Benefits**

The 2020 Susan Phillips Gorin Award recipient will:

- Receive a commemorative plaque.
- Be recognized at the 2020 CEC Convention & Expo in Portland, Oregon.
- Be featured on CEC's website ([www.cec.sped.org](http://www.cec.sped.org)).

### **Eligibility Requirements**

- Nominee must be a current CEC member.
- Nominee must be a current university or college faculty member (teaching at least one course, or supervising students, during the 2019-2020 academic year).

### **Award Selection Considerations**

- The CEC Student Committee has the authority to give only one CEC Susan Phillips Gorin Award or opt not to grant the award in any given year.
- The CEC Student Committee will conduct an individual blind review of each application based on the criteria set forth above.
- Current sitting members of the CEC Student Committee may not nominate nor write letters of recommendation for any nominee.

## **Rules and Instructions for Application**

- The application requires two sections. To facilitate review, the application packet should be organized as follows:
  - **Section I:** Completed Nomination Form
  - **Section II:** Letters of Recommendation (2)
    - Nominations for this award must include two letters of recommendation in support of the nominee, one of which must be from a current CEC student member. Each letter of recommendation should be no more than two typewritten pages and include:
      - **Leadership and Involvement with CEC Student Chapter and Its Members:** The nominee's contributions in providing leadership and involvement opportunities for CEC student members.
      - **Mentoring of CEC Student Members:** The nominee's involvement with CEC student members via direct and/or indirect mentorship efforts.
      - **Involvement with Children with Exceptionalities within the Field of Special Education:** The nominee's involvement with children with exceptionalities and the field of special education.
      - **Service to the Community and Schools and/or Contribution to Research or Publications:** Community outreach and service performed by the nominee, as well as any research and/or publication contributions.
    - Each letter of recommendation should address each of these topics separately and list each topic before the response.
  - All application materials (including letters of recommendation) must be submitted together to CEC Headquarters **by July 15, 2019.**
  - **Nominations will be accepted electronically via the following Survey Monkey link:**  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2020GorinAward>
  - Supporting materials, including letters of recommendation, should be scanned and included as images or PDF files. If you are unable to upload them in the electronic submission form, please contact Megan Shea at [students@cec.sped.org](mailto:students@cec.sped.org).
  - Supporting materials should be scanned and included as images or PDF files if necessary. Please use the file name to **clearly label** each section and all nomination materials (e.g., "Jane\_Smith\_Recommendation\_1.pdf").
  - **All materials submitted become the property of CEC and will not be returned.**