

2017 NYSSBA's 98th Annual Convention & Education Expo Champion for Change Award

This award is presented annually to a current school board member, who, in the judgment of the NYSSBA Awards Committee, should be recognized for innovative and ethical leadership that brought about ground-breaking improvements in school district programs and operations. The NYSSBA Champion for Change is a champion for children who fosters creative change that enriches educational opportunities and improves academic results. Each year a special selection criteria changes to represent an outstanding person(s).

YEAR	RECIPIENT	SPECIAL SELECTION CRITERIA
2015	Robert J. Vecchio, <i>William Floyd UFSD</i>	An Outstanding School Board President
2016	John J.W. Allen, <i>Belleville-Henderson CSD</i>	A Dedicated, Innovative and Effective First-Term School Board Member
2017	Heather Zellers, <i>Seneca Falls CSD</i>	An Elected, Dedicated, Innovative and Effective First-Term School Board Member