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**Jules Waber Memorial NREA Travel Award**

The Montana Small Schools Alliance has authorized a memorial NREA Travel Award on behalf of former Powell County Superintendent of Schools, MSSA Board Member, MACSS Member and NREA Executive Board Member, ***Jules Waber.*** Jules was instrumental in advancing both the MSSA and NREA and always supported teachers and administrators getting involved with both organizations. Jules was a champion of rural students, schools and education.

**Application Criteria:** *This award is made available to any teacher or administrator in member school districts. Please complete on your own paper in a narrative fashion. Include anything you feel makes you deserving of this “Travel Award” in addition to what we are asking of you. Return either by mail or email to:* ***danr@mt-ssa.org****. The MSSA Board will score your application at the September 30th, 2020 quarterly meeting and the winning applicants will be notified shortly following that meeting.*

1. List all current or past memberships in MSSA programs: (Consortium, Standards, MAPS, NREA, MSU Graduate Credit).

2. Narrative of why you want to either get involved or continue involvement in the NREA and MSSA. If you have been involved over and above membership (*including attendance at previous conferences)*, please be specific as to how and in what manner you have had involvement with NREA and MSSA. If you have not been involved, what specific areas are you interested in getting involved in?

3. Applications are due September 29th, 2020 in the Dillon office or via email to Dan Rask.

*MSSA will register the winning applicant for this year’s National Forum to Advance Rural Education hosted by the NREA and Battelle for Kids. MSSA will pay for conference registration, and substitutes if needed.*

*Best of luck and thanks for participating. Jules would be proud.*

*Sincerely,*

*Dan Rask, Executive Director*

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