



**VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL NURSES, INC.**  
**P.O. BOX 28313, RICHMOND, VA 23228**

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Dear Private School Administrator,

The Virginia Association of School Nurses, Inc., invites you to nominate a professional school nurse for the Private/Parochial School Nurse of the Year Award. This award recognizes an outstanding Virginia nonpublic school nurse for excellence in school nursing practice and leadership. The registered nurse selected for this award will become our state's nominee for the National Private/Parochial School Nurse of the Year Award from the National Association of School Nurses. Both the Virginia and National Associations of School Nurses are dedicated to supporting student success in the educational setting. We strive to improve the health, safety, and well-being of school children at local, state, and national levels.

Administrators and nurses understand the clear correlation between health and students' academic achievement. This nomination is a wonderful way to recognize your school nurse's invaluable contribution to school-aged youth, the educational team, and your school community. It would be very rewarding to have one of Virginia's own so honored! Please consider nominating one or more nurses from your organization.

The application form and guidelines for nominating private school nurses can be found at [www.vasn.us](http://www.vasn.us). Please note the specific eligibility criteria and postmark deadline for receipt of the nomination packet. If you have any questions, or need help completing the nomination, please feel free to contact me at 571-252-1017. Thank you in advance for your consideration in this matter, and best wishes to the nurse(s) that you nominate.

Sincerely,

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