

High School Student of the Year Nomination Guidelines:

the student must:

- be currently enrolled in Spanish or Portuguese
- be in the second year or beyond in his/her studies
- have placed in statewide, regional or national contests, or have been nominated for the Governor's Honors Program
- exhibit strong commitment to foreign languages beyond the normal realm of study (tutoring, special projects, etc.) •be nominated by a teacher through a narrative.

The nominating teacher must be an AATSP member in good standing for the current year.

The nomination packet consists of four (4) parts:

1. Nomination cover page with the following information:

Student name, home address, and e-mail address; School name, address, telephone; Name and title of school administrator; Nominating teacher's name, telephone and email contact information; Student's current course level of Spanish/Portuguese, native/non-native status, as well as description of any outside language experience; Student's current year in school, GPA in Spanish/Portuguese, and overall GPA; Experience in Spanish/Portuguese (chronological list of courses, travel, work, tutoring, etc.); Special school activities and awards (including test scores). The nominating teacher must sign this cover page and include 6-digit AATSP ID No.

2. Current official transcript.

3. A minimum of two (2) letters of endorsement.

One letter must be from the student's Spanish/Portuguese teacher (a narrative endorsement) in which specific reasons for the nomination are cited; the other letter(s) may be from another teacher, a principal, a guidance counselor, or another professional who is familiar with the student.

4. Publicity information:

Please include names and addresses of local administration, newspaper contact(s), and date of school's honors night. The winner is to send a digital photo image for posting on the Chapter website.

Please include the following statement, signed and dated by the student and parent or guardian: "The Georgia Chapter of AATSP is granted permission to include [SOTY nominee's name and school affiliation] in press releases, in the organization's publications, and on the AATSP website."

Send three (3) copies of the completed nomination packet by postmark deadline February 2 to:

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or submit (1) completed, assembled nomination packet online via email to:

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