

How Does ACSI Make Selections?

A team of experienced Christian school educators at ACSI Headquarters makes the exemplary school program selections. Each program undergoes a rubric-based assessment. The following criteria guide the assessments:

Unique, innovative, cutting-edge. The program is different from what a school typically does. The program reflects innovation on the part of a school to go beyond the usual and customary in order to better serve its constituency. The program represents a new and often radically different forward-thinking approach to the issue being addressed.

Extraordinary. The program represents a paradigm shift in thinking and reflects an uncommon approach to the area addressed or affected. The program reaches above and beyond the norm.

Measurable, impactful. The results of the program can be “quantifiably” or qualitatively measured for effectiveness in meeting the program objective. The program significantly and measurably affects the lives of those who are carrying out the program or those whom the program targets.

Transferable. Others could implement the program in their schools by making minimal or no adjustments.

Involvement. The program involves, or provides opportunity for involvement of, a high percentage of the students in a school. The involvement may also include a school’s local community.

Community. The program engenders a strong sense of identity and togetherness in a school or in an extended school family.

HOW DO I SUBMIT A PROGRAM FOR CONSIDERATION?

1. Download the program submission template from the ACSI website at www.acsi.org/kwexschprograms, or request a copy by e-mailing cse@acsi.org or by calling 719-528-6906, ext. 247.
2. Complete the information requested in the template exactly as directed. Download the template to your computer and complete it electronically. Your submission must be in electronic form.
3. Send your submission as an e-mail attachment to cse@acsi.org or as a Word document on a CD. Mail the CD to ACSI, CSE Coordinator, 731 Chapel Hills Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80920.

ACSI will accept **only one submission per school**. The submission deadline is **May 3, 2010**.

You may direct questions to the CSE Coordinator by e-mailing cse@acsi.org or by calling 719-528-6906, ext. 247.