



Outstanding Ascentis Learner of the Year Award 2023-24

Introduction

In recognition of the hard work and commitment of individual learners, Ascentis would like to invite approved centres to nominate learners for the Ascentis Learner of the Year Awards.

The learner must have achieved an Ofqual, CCEA or Qualifications Wales regulated qualification from Ascentis in between the 1st August 2023 or be on track to achieve by 31st August 2024. They may have demonstrated a high level of skill or competence in their learning, or show exceptional resilience and commitment to study, perhaps through challenging circumstances. They will have demonstrated an enthusiasm for learning beyond the requirements of their course.

Note: if a learner meets these criteria and they are studying an Access to HE Diploma, please refer to the Ascentis Excellence Awards.

The nomination must address all of the following:

- What is the name of the learner?
- What was the qualification level achieved?
- How did the learner demonstrate an enthusiasm for learning?
- What challenges did the learner face and how were they overcome?
- What are the future ambitions of the learner?
- Why does the learner deserve to win the Award this year?

Each Centre can nominate up to five learners.

Submitting Nominations

Nomination forms will be available on the Ascentis website and will be emailed out to centres.

Completed nominations should be emailed to marketing@ascentis.co.uk with the subject line **Learner of the Year Awards** on or before **Friday 31st May 2024**. Nominations can be produced by the relevant staff in the centre but must be submitted by the Centres allocated Quality Nominee.

Learners must confirm their consent prior to the nomination being submitted.

Judging of Nominations

All nominations will be anonymised before being considered by a panel of judges where prize winners will be selected solely on the statements provided by centres.



Each department will need to put forward a judge for the Learner Awards, Excellence awards or both.

Prize winners and runners up will be contacted through their Centre Quality Nominee. After the individual prize winners have been notified then final results will be circulated to all Centres who submitted a learner.

Prizes

All valid nominations will receive a Certificate of Recognition.

The prize winner will receive a cheque for £400 and the runner up will receive a cheque for £200.

Ascentis staff will endeavour to present the prizes at a time and venue to be agreed with the Centre.

Award Winners will be announced during the week commencing
15th July 2024.

Federation of Awarding Bodies (FAB) Awards

We would like to recognise Ascentis Learner of the Year winners by submitting them for the national FAB Learner of the Year Award. If the Centre and Learner consent then winners will be put forward for this award by Ascentis.