



Cane Award Nomination Form

The Department of Campus Activities & Involvement invites you to nominate a deserving recipient for the Cane Award! The Cane Award Nominees are evaluated by members of the SHSU Sammys Committee based on three categories: Spirit, Tradition, and Service. These groups include university funded entities, university departments, or other on-campus initiatives that contribute back to the university in the areas of spirit, tradition, and service. The 32nd Annual Sammys will be held on April 8, 2026. Please complete the form and email to sammyawards@shsu.edu by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 23, 2026**. The entire form must be completed to be considered for this award.

For more information or questions, please call 936-294-3861.

Department/Program Name: _____

Phonetic Spelling: _____

Contact Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please explain in-detail how the department/program has promoted SHSU Spirit (e.g. encouraged a sense of community and belongingness within the University). Please provide data/examples where applicable.

Please explain in-detail how the department/program has serviced SHSU (i.e. provided service SHSU's community, faculty, staff, students, etc.). Please provide data/examples where applicable.

Please explain in-detail how the department/program has encouraged SHSU Traditions & Values (e.g. activities and initiatives that promote SHSU values: student success & support, academic excellence, service & community engagement, inclusive excellence, collaborative environment, honor, and creativity & innovation). Please provide data/examples where applicable.

*Why is Sam Houston State University a better place overall because of the department/
program contributions?*

*List all recognitions/awards that the department/program has received with a brief
description on its significance. Please include the year that the award/recognition was
received.*

Write the department/program bio as they would like it to be read during the 32nd Annual Sammys if selected as the winner. The information included should be based on the accomplishments and credentials that have been provided in the previous questions.

YOU MUST KEEP BIOGRAPHY UNDER 150 WORDS AND WRITE IN THIRD PERSON FORMAT.