

*New Award!!!*

***KSDC 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills Professional Development Award***

**Deadline for submission for award: December 15**

KSDC wants to recognize those who effectively implement 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills in their professional development program. This award could be for a building or district.

You can apply –

- Complete this form
- Answer the questions listed at the end of this application- all 5!
- Submit technology-based evidence (such as a video, podcast, PowerPoint, multimedia presentation, etc.) that showcases your 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills professional development

Send the above items by December 15 to:

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Please limit your answers to two pages, 12 pt. font size.

Please note: *Without evidence, we will not accept the application for consideration.*

**Up to two schools will be recognized for exemplary honors at the KSDC Leadership Conference.** *(You do not need to be present at the conference in order to receive the award.) Your technology evidence may be on display or viewed at the conference.*

Those exemplary winners will each receive

- A certificate of recognition
- A banner announcing the award
- A one year building/agency membership in KSDC
- Two registrations at the KSDC Fall Institute

Please circle the type of award:            **Building**            **District**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title/Position:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

**School/District** \_\_\_\_\_

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*Direct any questions concerning this application to Sheri Thomas, [thomass@mclouth.org](mailto:thomass@mclouth.org)*

## **21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills Professional Development Award**

National Staff Development Council's (NSDC) purpose is that "Every educator engages in effective professional learning every day so every student achieves." On a separate sheet of paper, please provide brief, but descriptive responses to the following questions considering how the NSDC strategic priorities (Examining the Evidence, Developing School Leaders, Narrowing the Achievement Gap, Affecting the Policy Context, and Engaging Thought Leaders) are being implemented in your school.

1. How does your professional development program focus on 21<sup>st</sup> century skills and content as defined by the KSDE 21<sup>st</sup> Century Profiles? [www.ksde.org/learn21](http://www.ksde.org/learn21)
2. How does your program highlight ways educators can seize opportunities for integrating 21<sup>st</sup> century tools and teaching strategies into their practice?
3. How do you provide work embedded support and follow-up experiences to sustain your endeavors?
4. How does your professional development program take advantage of 21<sup>st</sup> century tools such as real world, rich media examples, video clips, interactives, Web 2.0 tools, and other various multiple media?
5. How do you encourage knowledge sharing and collaboration among all participants?