

The Florida-Georgia District gives the Barnabas Son of Encouragement Award to recognize outstanding pastoral ministry in a school. It celebrates an Along-Sider partnership between a pastor and school and is presented to a Pastor at the Educators Conference on behalf of the district's Educators.

**Purpose:** To highlight and celebrate the work of pastors who faithfully encourage and support the whole school community.

**Eligibility**: A Lutheran pastor engaged in ministry at a Lutheran school or early childhood center.

**Process**: Submit the [Nomination Form](https://forms.gle/hyMxLSxnM7V7sxjBA) describing how the pastor serves as a Son of Encouragement. To be considered, a pastor must receive **three nominations** from school staff or parents. One must be from a school leader.

**Deadline**: August 31