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TIME TO NOMINATE WESTERN DISTINGUISHED FACULTY AND ALUMNI

St. Joseph, Mo. —May 20, 2005—Missouri Western State College Alumni Association is accepting nominations for the 2005 Distinguished Faculty and Alumni Service Awards through June 30. Anyone is eligible to submit a nomination.

Criteria for the distinguished faculty award include teaching excellence, availability to students, professional accomplishments and potential, lasting influence on students, and professional and ethical standards.

To be eligible for the alumni service award, there must be a time difference of at least five years between the college graduation and the nomination. The criteria for consideration includes professional achievement and distinction; service to the community, state or nation; humanitarian contribution to society in general; and possession of those qualities that elicit pride from others who attended the same educational institution. Only living alumni are eligible. The awardee must be able to attend the awards banquet, and this year it will be held on Oct. 21.

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Nominations may be made online at Western's website, www.missouriwestern.edu, by clicking on "Foundation and Alumni," then "Alumni Events," then "Alumni Recognition." Individuals may also contact the alumni office at 816-271-5651 to obtain an application. A letter of recommendation must accompany the application. Forms and letters can be mailed to alumni services, 4525 Downs Drive, St. Joseph, MO. 64507.

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Missouri Western State College is a four-year public institution providing a blend of traditional liberal arts and professional degree programs. The college offers student-centered, high quality instruction that focuses on experience-based learning, community service, and state-of-the-art technology. Western is located in St. Joseph, Mo. and is committed to the educational, economic, cultural and social development of the region it serves.