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OABA Now Accepting Nominations for Industry Excellence Awards

COLUMBUS, Ohio (April 1, 2025) – The Ohio AgriBusiness Association (OABA) is now accepting nominations for the Industry Excellence Awards, recognizing outstanding agribusiness professionals for their dedication to professionalism, stewardship and excellence.

"The agribusiness sector thrives because of the exceptional individuals dedicated to excellence in customer service, safety, and stewardship," said Melinda Witten, president and CEO of OABA. "By recognizing and celebrating these outstanding leaders, we inspire higher standards and greater achievements across the entire industry."

OABA member company employees can be nominated in the following categories:

- Achievement as an Emerging Leader
- Excellence in Customer Service
- Excellence in Safety & Stewardship

Nominations are open through August 8, 2025, and can be submitted by any industry professional, provided the nominee is employed by an OABA member company.

Award recipients will be honored at the 2026 OABA Industry Conference on January 27. Winners will receive complimentary conference registration and lodging, recognition in industry publications, and a \$1,000 cash award, generously sponsored by Assured Partners – ABIS/J.H. Ward.

To nominate an employee, visit oaba.net/awards and download the application forms. Completed applications must be submitted by August 8 to the Ohio AgriBusiness Association, and may be mailed or emailed to 5151 Reed Road, Suite 126-C, Columbus, Ohio 43220 or mwitten@oaba.net. For additional information, please contact OABA at 614-326-7520 or mwitten@oaba.net.

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About OABA

The Ohio AgriBusiness Association is the leading advocate for Ohio agribusiness by creating both a sustainable business climate and added member value through collaborative policy leadership, continuous education and effective communication. OABA is a membership-based state trade association which includes the manufacturers and wholesale/retail suppliers of plant nutrient and protection materials, the grain warehousing and marketing industry, the feed and seed industry, as well as companies providing equipment, financing, insurance, consulting, and other products and services for the agribusiness industry. OABA is also the administrator of the Ohio Certified Crop Adviser Program, 4R Nutrient Stewardship Certification Program and Ohio Agricultural Council. For more information, visit oaba.net.