



Currituck County Small Business of the Year Application Form

Sponsored by the Currituck Chamber of Commerce
and the COA Small Business Center

Eligibility Criteria for the Currituck County Small Business of the Year: The business must be a Currituck Chamber member in good standing, must be located in Currituck County, have 100 or less employees, and must be in business for a minimum of one year.

The Small Business of the Year award is given annually to the small business who has demonstrated excellent entrepreneurial accomplishments through excellent business practices, customer service, and community involvement. Awards given based on number of employees (Less than 10, over 10).

Currituck County Small Business of the Year Nominations May Be Made By:

- **Business owner or employee
- **Family member of above
- **Another business
- **A town or county organization
- **A concerned citizen

Selection Procedure

The selection committee will be made up of representatives from College of the Albemarle's Small Business Center, Currituck County Economic Development and the Currituck Chamber of Commerce.

Awards ceremony

The Currituck County Small Business of the Year awards will be presented at the Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon on **Thursday, September 23, 2010**. Recognition will be given to all nominated businesses.

Please complete the following information related to the nominated business:

1. Name of business _____
 Address of business _____
 Telephone number of business _____
2. Type of business: _____ Retail/Wholesale _____ Manufacturing _____ Service
 _____ Franchised or management cooperative _____ Agriculture _____ Other
3. Business is a _____ Sole Proprietorship _____ Partnership _____ Corporation
4. Approximate number of employees: _____
5. Owner(s) of nominated business _____
6. Name of Nominator _____
 (You may nominate your business)
 Address of Nominator _____
 Telephone Number of Nominator _____

The following information will be reviewed by the selection committee. Judges will not know the name of the business or organization being nominated. Please do not refer to the business/organization name or owners on the following page.

Nomination Code: _____

Reminder: Please do not refer to the business/organization name on this page. Nomination Code: _____

7. Please check the community organizations which your business belongs to or participates with:
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Lions Club | <input type="checkbox"/> Rotary Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local Fire Department/Rescue Squad | <input type="checkbox"/> American Cancer Society/Relay for Life |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation | <input type="checkbox"/> NC Special Olympics |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts Council | <input type="checkbox"/> American Red Cross |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ruritan Club | <input type="checkbox"/> NC Cooperative Extension |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |

How do you participate: _____

8. Does your business participate in educational programs with local institutions?
 Yes No If yes, please name the institution and the programs in which you participate
(e.g., College of the Albemarle, Currituck County Schools) _____

9. Awards or recognition your company has received within the last three years.

10. Why do you feel you (or the company you are nominating) should receive this award? (100 words or less, please).

11. Since excellent customer service is essential to the success of any small business, you are welcome to include up to three testimonials from clients/customers (attach to application on separate sheet). Testimonials should include customer first name, last initial, and name of city and state.

Please return this form to the Currituck Chamber of Commerce no later than August 20, 2010.

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