

Call for BOC Volunteer Award Nominations

The BOC is requesting nominations for the **Dan Libera Service Award**, **Denise Fandel Award of Excellence** and the **Paul Grace Leadership Award**.

Award recipients will be honored during the 2026 BOC Volunteer Reception at the NATA Convention in Philadelphia.

To nominate a deserving **BOC volunteer**, please review the description, criteria and nomination instructions below for each award.

The **Dan Libera Award** was created by the BOC in recognition of Dan's contributions to the BOC certification program. The award recognizes BOC volunteers who have shown dedication to the mission of the BOC to provide exceptional credentials and standards the public can trust. The award focuses on a nominee's long-standing service, previous and current, in any of the following roles: board director, committee member, task force member, work group member, special project participant, test site administrator, test materials coordinator, test examiner or test model facilitator.



Dan Libera

Additional achievements/contributions related to the BOC and/or the athletic training profession will also be considered.

Nominations

Deadline: April 26, 2026

Nominating a deserving volunteer for the Dan Libera Service Award is a multi-step process. The nominator should complete the following steps prior to the deadline:

- Notify the nominee of the intent to nominate them for the award.
- Write a letter of nomination, which should include a description of the relationship between the nominator and nominee, as well as specific examples which illustrate why the nominee deserves the award.
- Collaborate with the nominee to complete the nomination form.
- Ask the nominee to select one person familiar with their professional path who can author an advocate letter.
- Contact the author to request the letter.
- Submit the nomination letter, nomination form and advocate letter by the deadline.

All materials are to be submitted to MirandaN@bocatc.org by **April 26, 2026**.