

Calls for Nominations: Journal Editors

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**Searching for
Journal Editors**

- *Soil Science Society of America Journal* Editor
- *Journal of Environmental Quality* Editor
- *Natural Sciences Education* Editor

 **ASA** |  **CSSA** |  **SSSA**

American Society of Agronomy | Crop Science Society of America | Soil Science Society of America

The graphic features a blue background with a light blue gradient at the bottom. On the right side, there is a stack of three journal covers: the top one is brown and white for the 'Soil Science Society of America Journal', the middle one is dark green and white for the 'Journal of Environmental Quality', and the bottom one is red and white for 'Natural Sciences Education'. The bottom cover shows a person's hands typing on a laptop. At the bottom of the graphic, the logos for ASA, CSSA, and SSSA are displayed in a row, each followed by its full name.

ASA, CSSA, and SSSA seek nominations for three journal Editor positions: (i) Editor of the *Soil Science Society of America Journal*, (ii) Editor of the *Journal of Environmental Quality*, and (iii) Editor of *Natural Sciences Education*. Candidates for these positions are appointed to a three-year term of service to begin Jan. 1, 2026. The positions are

appointed by the Society's presidents and carry a great deal of responsibility as well as personal satisfaction.

Candidates are expected to be visionary as the publication ecosystem is experiencing rapid changes in scientific content delivery as well as publishing models. In addition, there is fierce competition for authors and readers. Prior editorial experience with ASA, CSSA, or SSSA publications or those having similar subject matter/structure is required.

Position duties

Journal Editors will:

- provide leadership for the journal, promote scholarship in the science targeted by the journal, and promote manuscript submission and peer review to researchers and authors;
- act as an ambassador of the journal to international communities to raise the quality of science;
- collaborate in the development, implementation, and communication of vision for the journal;
- accept responsibility for maintaining the journal's quality content standards, objectives, and metrics;
- strive to advance scientific publishing to ensure the high standards of reliability, accessibility, openness, and integrity of the scientific enterprise. The Editor will promote broad ethical and communal interests of science in support of Society diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives;

- appoint associate editors to the journal's editorial board on behalf of the Society's president; and
- serve as a member of the Societies' Editorial Affairs, Policies, and Practices Committee among other responsibilities.

Nomination procedure and deadline

Positions are appointed by the Society's president upon confirmation by its Board of Directors. Interested persons may nominate themselves or be nominated by an active member of ASA, CSSA, or SSSA. Appointees must be a Society member during their term. Candidates should email (i) a vita including a list of previous editorial experience and (ii) a vision statement for the position not exceeding one page. ***Applications for all positions are due no later than June 1, 2026.*** These positions are open until they are filled.

Submit nominations for Editor of the *Soil Science Society of America Journal* to SSSA Editor-in-Chief Markus Flury via email at [Send Message](#). Please contact Dr. Flury with any questions or for a full position description.

Submit nominations for Editor of *Natural Sciences Education* to ASA Editor-in-Chief David Clay via email at david.clay@sdstate.edu. Please contact Dr. Clay with any questions or for a full position description.

Submit nominations for Editor of the *Journal of Environmental Quality* to ASA Editor-in-Chief David Clay via email at [Send Message](#). Please contact Dr. Clay with any questions or for a full position description.

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