

2022 Baldrige National Award Process News

In early June 2022, the national Baldrige program (BPEP) announced that it will not be running an award process in 2022. The leadership teams at Baldrige, NIST, and the Department of Commerce have decided to initiate a comprehensive, independent review of the Baldrige Program. This review will *assess how the program can best advance U.S. competitiveness and address the challenges most relevant in today's business environment, as well as examine how its impact and accessibility could be increased*. This does not impact other BPEP work including the 2023 Quest for Excellence and development of the 2023-24 Baldrige Framework/Criteria or the Baldrige Fall Conference this October. The ExcellenceNorth (ENA) 2023 Awards and Recognition program will run as usual starting with Examiner Training early this fall.

ENA and our colleagues across the country see this a positive opportunity for the Baldrige Program to emerge stronger, more accessible, and more impactful. The Program has made incremental change for thirty-five continuous years, and this is an opportunity for transformational change that will benefit all organizations utilizing Baldrige, including future applicants!

Read the [full announcement](#) and [the FAQ's](#) about this decision :