

Regional School District #10

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Director of Student Learning

To: Staff Members, Parents, and Students
From: Teacher-of-the-Year Committee and Alan Beitman
Subject: Region 10 Teacher-of-the-Year Nomination
Date: March 21, 2019

It gives us great pleasure to invite you to participate in Region 10's Teacher-of-the-Year Program for 2020. From the nominations we receive, one individual will be chosen as Region 10's Teacher-of-the-Year and will become our candidate for the Connecticut 2020 Teacher-of-the-Year honors.

The nomination form, which is attached, should be returned to the Superintendent's Office on or before Friday, April 26th, for each staff member you wish to nominate.

The Region 10 Teacher-of-the-Year Committee is comprised of the current and former Teachers-of-the-Year. They will meet and select the 2020 candidate.

In the Teacher-of-the-Year Program, we are not attempting to single out any individual as the best teacher in Region 10, but to honor one teacher who is representative of all the excellent teachers in the district.

The rules are few and they are simple:

- * Nominations should be made without regard to race, age, sex, or national origin.
- * Nominees should be exceptionally skillful and dedicated, working in grades pre-kindergarten through 12, who have been employed for a minimum of three years with the Region 10 Board of Education.
- * All certified school personnel are eligible. The major purpose of the program is to recognize the contributions of our staff.
- * Nominees should have the respect and admiration of students, parents, and co-workers.
- * The most important qualification is that the teachers have a superior ability to inspire love of learning in students of all backgrounds and abilities.

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The additional criteria below used by the Region 10 Screening Committee may assist you in making your selection.

- * A superior ability to teach and communicate, plus knowledge of students and their needs.
- * Professional preparation and education, with evidence of continued professional contributions and improvement, such as in-service training, additional degrees, summer study, travel related to subject area, and the like.
- * Knowledge of the subject taught and ability to use materials related to the subject.
- * Ability to relate to parents, students and community, good school service, good teacher/student relationship, and involvement in school and community affairs.
- * Leadership in school activities, such as membership on curriculum or instructional materials committees, or state advisory committees.
- * Extension of the classroom, such as evidence of innovation, activities to extend the classroom into the community, promotion of experimental programs, and development of new materials.
- * Evidence of superior past performance, such as honors, awards and the like, prior to selection as a nominee to the district Teacher-of-the-Year Program.

As we all know, Region 10 has many great teachers - now is the time to honor them and let them know we appreciate their many contributions. We urge your participation.

Sincerely,

Alan Beitman
Superintendent

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Attachment

Ec: BoE Members
Stephanie Cowger - School Bell
Maria Gorski - Electronic Sign