

TAWLS OUTSTANDING TEACHER AWARD NOMINATION FORM

- I. Purpose: This award shall be given to a teacher and TAWLS member who excels in the classroom according to the criteria listed below. This award should represent the standard of excellence respected by all. It is meant to reward teachers who build the foundations of good education as well as to inspire others to follow the examples that they set.
- II. The Award: This award shall be a plaque with the award name, organization, date and the recipient's name inscribed. A certificate of "Honorable Mention" shall be awarded to remaining nominees.
- III. Eligibility: The teacher is a member of TAWLS and has had a minimum of five consecutive years of experience in the WLS classroom prior to the year of nomination. (Experience can be verified by checking the seniority list in your principal's office.) Consideration of those non-retiring will be given first.

The Teacher possesses or demonstrates:

- excellence in the classroom
- Knowledge of the subject matter
- Excellence in using a variety of classroom techniques
- Classroom innovations
- Interest in students as individuals and scholars
- a positive and constructive attitude
- strives for continuous improvement
- excellence in Parent-Teacher-Staff rapport
- recognition from other sources related to classroom excellence

A maximum of four awards may be given in a school year. No person may receive this award more than once in a three year period.

Nominee's Name _____ *School* _____

Position: _____

Years if service to WLS: (A minimum of 5 consecutive years required.) _____

Compose a letter explaining why you feel the nominee has earned this award. Be specific addressing the award criteria. This letter should include a few anecdotes to illustrate the excellence of your nominee. Your letter should be typed, and at least one page in length. You will also need the names and letters of two other people who will provide additional information about this person. It is a good idea to collect all of your letters before sending them out. These letters should not be emailed.

YOUR NAME _____ Ext. _____

Names of 2 other people sending in the letters on behalf of the nominee:

1. _____ ext. 2. _____ ext.

Send all of the letters together to Michele Hetzel @ Meadowvale by Thursday, May 2.