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THE TAWLS OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR AWARD

The Outstanding Educator Award is an annual award given by TAWLS to recognize teaching excellence, leadership, and professional achievement in the teaching field by a current or retiring teacher.

I. PURPOSE:

This award shall be given to educator and TAWLS member who excels according to the criteria listed below. This award should serve as a standard of excellence. It is meant to inspire achievement.

II. THE AWARD:

This award shall be a plaque with the award name, organization, date and the recipient's name inscribed thereon. 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 not retiring will be given first.

IV. THE TEACHER DEMONSTRATES:

- *Excellence in the classroom/position*
- *Leadership in educational organizations*
- *Professional achievement*
- *Classroom innovations*
- *Leadership in curriculum development or program innovations*
- *Interest in students and activities outside the classroom*
- *Involvement in community affairs*
- *Excellence in Parent-Teacher-Staff rapport*
- *Notable evidence of dedication.*
- *Helpful to teacher and/or staff*

CONSIDERATIONS:

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-two pages 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. Typed nominations need to be printed off and sent to TAWLS Awards Committee Chair, Heather Densmore @ Whitmer by April 30th



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Nominee Name(s): _____

Nominator 1/Award Presenter: _____ School of Nominator: _____

School Ext. _____ Email Address: _____

Nominator 2/Award Presenter: _____ School of Nominator: _____

School Ext. _____ Email Address: _____

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Please tell why the person you nominated is deserving of this award: