NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN

The Premier’s Awards for Excellence in Education were created in 2018 to recognize the enormous contributions of British Columbia’s exceptional teachers, administrators and support staff who are vital to the cultural, economic and social well-being of the province. The Premier’s Awards provide students, parents, teachers and other members of the community with an opportunity to celebrate those who make a real difference in B.C. schools.

The awards are presented annually to exceptional education professionals in the public, independent or First Nations school systems.

Awards will be presented in the following categories:
- Community Engagement
- District Leadership
- Extracurricular Leadership
- Indigenous Education
- Outstanding New Teacher
- Outstanding Support – School Community
- Outstanding Support – Teaching Assistant
- Outstanding Team Collaboration
- School Leadership
- Social Equity and Diversity

NOMINATION CRITERIA AND THE NOMINATION PACKAGE CAN BE FOUND AT: www.gov.bc.ca/excellenceineducation

NOMINATION DEADLINE: APRIL 30, 2020

TO NOMINATE AN EDUCATION PROFESSIONAL, VISIT: www.gov.bc.ca/excellenceineducation
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

A nominee must meet the following criteria*:

1. Currently holds a B.C. teaching certificate (except for the Outstanding Support – School Community and Outstanding Support – Teaching Assistant categories) and is working within the British Columbia K-12 public, independent or First Nations school systems.

2. For the category District Leadership, the nominee works in a district educational leadership role and holds a B.C. teaching certificate.

3. For the category Outstanding Team Collaboration, at least one of the nominees holds a B.C. teaching certificate.

4. For the category Outstanding Support – School Community, the nominee works in a support capacity within the B.C. K-12 public, independent or First Nations school systems (i.e. bus drivers, crossing guards, student supervisors, Indigenous cultural facilitators, custodians, maintenance and clerical).

5. For the category Outstanding Support – Teaching Assistant, the nominee works in an educational assistant or Indigenous education support worker role.

You can submit your nomination one of three ways:

1. ONLINE: go to www.gov.bc.ca/excellenceineducation

2. BY EMAIL: go to www.gov.bc.ca/excellenceineducation to download and complete the nomination package, then send via email to excellenceineducation@gov.bc.ca

3. BY MAIL
   Attn: Premier’s Awards for Excellence in Education
   Ministry of Education
   PO Box 9779 Stn Prov Govt
   Victoria, BC V8W 9H8

NOMINATIONS

Nominations are welcome from all citizens of British Columbia, including:

- Principals
- Teachers
- Administrators
- Superintendents
- Parents
- Trustees
- Students
- Community organizations

Your nomination package must include the following:

- Completed nomination form (online, downloaded PDF or paper format).

- Three letters of support with at least one from a principal, vice-principal, superintendent or mayor. Letters should focus on one or two specific characteristics about the education professional that make them exceptional, according to the category criteria. Letters should not exceed two pages and must be signed by the author.

- Nominee, nominator and third-party signed privacy consent forms.

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SELECTION PROCESS

An adjudication panel will shortlist top finalists in each category and a separate panel of judges will select the winners for each category.

The adjudication panel and judges will be comprised of individuals such as retired superintendents, heads of independent school authorities, post-secondary education leaders, business leaders and media from around the province.

Shortlisted nominees will be notified in May 2020 and the winners will be announced at a ceremony held in October, in conjunction with World Teachers’ Day 2020.

* Criteria for each category and instructions on how to nominate a deserving education professional can be found at: www.gov.bc.ca/excellenceineducation