

Manitoba's Celebration of Excellence in Teaching

Minister's Awards
Manitoba Education
2011-2012

THE AWARDS

Manitoba's Celebration of Excellence in Teaching – Minister's Awards recognize outstanding achievement by Manitoba educators. The awards were initiated in 2006 and continue to honour creative, innovative and effective teaching practices.

Awards are presented in four categories:

- Teaching Excellence
- Outstanding New Teacher
- Team Collaboration
- Outstanding School Leader



Teaching Excellence

Three awards will be presented: one to an early years teacher (K-4), one to a middle years teacher (5-8) and one to a senior years teacher (9-12).

If a nominee teaches at more than one level (ex. K-12 music teacher), the evidence and examples on the Nomination Support Form must focus on the level for which the teacher is nominated.

Outstanding New Teacher

One award will be presented to a new teacher from K-12.

Team Collaboration

One award will be presented to a team of teachers (maximum of three) from K-12.

Outstanding School Leader

One award will be presented to a principal or vice-principal.

Each award recipient will receive a Certificate of Recognition and a \$500 cash award. The recipient's school will also receive \$500 for projects and/or equipment.

A reception honouring all recipients will be held in April 2012.

ELIGIBILITY & SELECTION CRITERIA

In all four award categories, nominations are open to educators:

- with a valid, permanent Manitoba teaching certificate
- who work directly with students in a school setting on a daily basis

Teaching Excellence Award

Open to teachers who have completed at least two years of teaching in a Manitoba school. The selection committee will look for evidence and examples that the teacher demonstrates an exemplary professional practice and a contagious enthusiasm for learning.

Outstanding New Teacher Award

Open to new teachers with a maximum of two years teaching experience as of June 2011. The selection committee will look for evidence and examples that the teacher is enthusiastic, dynamic and inspires both students and colleagues.

Team Collaboration Award

Open to teams comprising a maximum of three teachers. The selection committee will look for evidence and examples that the teachers worked collaboratively to achieve common goals that support student learning.

Outstanding School Leader Award

Open to all principals and vice-principals. The selection committee will look for evidence and examples that the administrator is able to incite passion and inspire the best in people around her/him, and to mobilize teams to action.

For more information on selection criteria, please consult the Nomination Support Forms available online.

NOMINATION PROCESS

The following persons can nominate or endorse the nomination of an eligible educator:

- student
- parent/legal guardian
- trustee
- teacher colleague
- school administrator
- school division administrator

Please note that either the nominator or the endorser must be an educator from the nominee's school or an administrator from the nominee's school division.

Nominators are responsible to provide a complete nomination package with all appropriate forms in hard copy format by the submission deadline.

Complete information on the nomination process and all necessary forms are posted on the Minister's Awards' website: www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/excellence/



SUBMISSION DEADLINE

The submission deadline is December 14, 2011. Only complete packages including all required signatures will be considered.



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