

**Columbus Council of PTA
Educator of the Year Recognition
2016**

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Deadline: Friday, April 22, 2016

All Columbus City Schools are **Encouraged** to submit an “Educator of the Year!” Schools do not need to have a PTA/PTO to participate!!

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Columbus Council of Parent-Teacher Associations

Educator of the Year Recognition

To: PTA Presidents and Principals

From: Educator of the Year Selection Committee, Columbus Council

Columbus Council of Parent and Teacher Associations initiated the Educator of the Year Recognition for the purpose of honoring educators from local PTA units for outstanding accomplishments. This program is not intended to be evaluative but rather a means of demonstrating that PTA recognizes and appreciates excellence in education. This program has met with great success in Columbus, and with your cooperation and support, will continue to be part of our annual May Recognition Dinner Meeting.

It is always the intent of the PTA to foster collegial respect and understanding among school professionals. The guidelines and criteria have been written so that the selection procedure is a friendly process. We realize that each school has many outstanding educators. Please keep in mind that this is strictly voluntary – please be aware there may be years when your staff and PTA wish not to select an educator or participate in this recognition.

Examples of criteria that might be useful in the selection of your Educator are as follows – this is by no means an exhaustive list:

- An educator who develops an innovative school program
- An educator who goes out of his way to make a difference in the lives of individual students
- An educator who has greatly improved the overall school climate
- An educator who has created a new school wide disciplinary plan
- An educator who reaches out to the community for support and assistance
- An educator who always maintains high standards of excellence

Guidelines to Select your Educator of the Year

Your candidate can be anyone in the building. This nomination is not limited to teachers only. Please use the attached form for naming your Educator of the Year. We suggest that each unit make a copy of the form for their own records.

Units should be in current membership with the Columbus Council of PTA to be eligible to participate in this program at the discounted rate.

We suggest that a committee should select an educator who best meets the criteria they have established. PTA representative(s) + representative(s) from the school's current ABC Committee + administrator might best facilitate the selection. A PTA who wishes student, staff, and or family participation should include representative(s) of those groups in their decision making.

The person selected as Educator of the Year must be a **COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOL STAFF MEMBER**. (Educator includes classroom teacher, principal, guidance counselor, librarian, teachers of special assignment, custodian staff and all

classified employees, etc.) We **discourage** the selection of “entire staff” as a school’s educator of the year.

The educator being recognized will be the guest of their local PTA unit at the annual May dinner. Each educator will be presented with a Certificate of Recognition by the Columbus Council of PTAs.

Forms identifying each unit’s educator of the year are due by **Friday, April 29, 2016** so that certificates may be prepared. Please send the name of your school’s educator to:

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Name of Educator: _____

Years of Education Experience: _____

Present School: _____

Present Position: _____

Contact Name: _____

Contact Email: _____

Contact Phone: _____

Please return completed form to; Lolita Augenstein, at the above address or email your submission to: ccseoty@gmail.com by Friday, April 29, 2016.

This form DOES NOT reserve dinner reservations. All dinner reservations must be completed on a separate Dinner Reservation form. Dinner Reservation form will be sent upon receipt of Educator's Name