



# Toms River Regional School District



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## 2020-21 Governor's Educator (GEOY) of the Recognition Program

### DESCRIPTION

The **Toms River Regional School District** is proud to participate again this year in the NJ Department of Education's *Governor's Educator of the Year Program*. Over the past several months, educators changed the way they delivered instruction. Now, more than ever before, is the time to celebrate New Jersey's outstanding educators. This program highlights educational innovation, student learning, and the rewards of teaching. It recognizes and honors the contributions of outstanding pre-K through grade 12 classroom teachers and educational services professionals who possess a special talent for inspiring a love of learning in students of all backgrounds and abilities and are leaders in their fields. The program combines the Governor's Educator Award with county and state Teacher of the Year recognitions.

### SELECTION PROCESS AND TIMELINES

Based on parent, peer, and administrator input received by November 20, 2020, each school will select two educators to serve as **School Teacher of the Year** and **School Educational Services Professional of the Year**. Each Teacher of the Year will be invited by the NJ Department of Education to compete for the title of **Ocean County Teacher of the Year** by January 22, 2021. The 21 county winners are then invited to the next level of application to vie for the **State Teacher of the Year**. The individual selected as New Jersey State Teacher of the Year becomes the state's nominee for **National Teacher of the Year**.

For more detailed information on this process, go to

<https://www.state.nj.us/education/educators/rpr/recognition/educators/geoy.shtml>

### RESPONSIBILITIES AND ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

In addition to the honor of being chosen by the school community, Teachers and Educational Professionals of the Year who could become county, state and national recipients must have certain qualifications and must be able to meet certain responsibilities. Please see the attached as you consider the qualities of your nominee.

If you would like to participate in this process, please fill out the attached form (via your computer or print and hand write) and submit it to your child's school in a sealed envelope no later than November 20. Forms received after that date will not be considered. If you have children who attend or have attended more than one school, you may nominate a teacher and ed services professional at each school your child attends or has attended.

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## NJ Department of Education Teacher of the Year Program Nomination

**Instructions:** to nominate a teacher who meets the criteria described on the attached page, please fill out the following form and return it to any school in a sealed envelope marked “Teacher of the Year” by **November 20, 2020**. Please explain why you feel the educator deserves recognition, citing specific examples. The more compelling the response, the better. Use the back if additional room is needed.

NOMINEE INFORMATION	
NAME	
SCHOOL	
SCHOOL DISTRICT	
CURRENT POSITION	
NOMINATOR INFORMATION	
NAME	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
RELATIONSHIP TO NOMINEE	
SIGNATURE	

NOMINATION
1. In what ways does the educator have a superior ability to inspire students of all backgrounds and abilities to learn?
2. In what ways has the educator demonstrated exceptional skills and dedication to her or his students and profession?
3. How has the educator demonstrated a strong ability to foster excellence?

4. In what ways has the educator played an active role in the community as well as in the school?

5. How has the educator continuously worked to enhance their content knowledge and improve and expand their teaching skills?

6. How has this teacher made a difference for your child/children?

7. Additional Comments (if any):

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## NJDOE Education Services Professional of the Year Nomination

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NOMINATION
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<p>2. In what ways has the educator demonstrated exceptional skills and dedication to his or her students and profession?</p>
<p>3. How has the educator demonstrated a strong ability to foster excellence?</p>

4. In what ways has the educator played an active role in the community as well as in the school?

5. How has the educator continuously worked to enhance their content knowledge and improve and expand their teaching skills?

6. How has this teacher made a difference for your child/children?

7. Additional Comments (if any):