

Key to the Classroom/ Teacher of the Year Award



NOMINATION FORM

Nominations are due Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2017

With more than 2,600 teachers, SSD boasts a wealth of excellent educators. The Key to the Classroom Award recognizes the achievements of these dedicated individuals. Recipients will be interviewed by a committee and one will be selected as the SSD Teacher of the Year. Key to the Classroom Award recipients and the Teacher of the Year will be honored at the district's SSD Salutes banquet on Thursday, March 8, 2018.

Please complete the entire form and return it to the Communications Department by e-mail to wbuchek@ssdmo.org; by mail (12110 Clayton Road, Town & Country, MO 63131); or by fax (314.989.8470). Contact Wes Buchek at 314.989.8102 with questions.

Key to the Classroom/ Teacher of the Year Award Guidelines

- ◆ Nominees for the SSD Key to the Classroom/Teacher of the Year Award must be classroom teachers who are employed by SSD during the current school year. These guidelines are based on the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's (DESE) Teacher of the Year criteria. SSD Teacher of the Year will be the District's candidate for DESE's state competition.
- ◆ In accordance with state guidelines, SSD will select a dedicated and highly-skilled candidate capable of inspiring students of all backgrounds and abilities.
- ◆ Because the Missouri Teacher of the Year will be asked to speak on behalf of all state educators, the candidate must be poised, articulate and energetic.
- ◆ Individuals can be nominated by SSD staff, parents, partner district staff or anyone in the community.
- ◆ Maximum of two official nominators per form.
- ◆ A committee will select multiple individuals to receive the award. One will be selected as the SSD Teacher of the Year. Award winners will be honored at the District's SSD Salutes Banquet on Thursday, March 8, 2018.

PART I - NOMINEE INFORMATION

Name: _____

Home Address (if known): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

Work Phone: _____

School: _____

District: _____

Current Position: _____

Years in Current Position (if known): _____ Total Years with SSD (if known): _____

Department/District Supervisor: _____

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PART II - NOMINATOR INFORMATION - Please no more than two nominators

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Relationship with SSD: _____

School (if applicable): _____ District: _____

Current Position: _____

Nominator Signature: _____ Date: _____

By checking box, you verify all information is accurate.

How did you hear about this award?

- SSD website (www.ssdmo.org)
- SSD's Facebook page (www.facebook.com/SSDStLCo)
- Special Edition (district newsletter)
- SSD Unfiltered (district e-newsletter)
- From an SSD employee
- SSD Life (Intranet)
- Other (please specify): _____

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PART III - REASON FOR NOMINATION (Maximum Length - three pages total)

*1. In a few paragraphs, describe what makes the nominee a highly-skilled and successful teacher.
Please provide specific examples.*

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PART III - REASON FOR NOMINATION (continued)

2. *What attributes make the nominee stand out in the school in which they work?*

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PART III - REASON FOR NOMINATION (continued)

3. Please describe the nominee's ability to speak on behalf of all educators and his/her ability to withstand a busy schedule.