



District 300 Foundation Distinguished Educator of the Year Award 2016/2017

Purpose of the Award

The District 300 Foundation for Educational Excellence seeks to enhance and extend learning opportunities for all District 300 students. By annually honoring a District 300 certified classroom teacher who best meets the award criteria, it is the hope that the excellence that exists in many of our classrooms will be advanced.

Award Criteria

- The educator nominee must have at least 5 years of District 300 classroom teaching experience and be at least 5 years from anticipated retirement.
- The educator nominee implements innovative techniques of instruction and motivation of learners that maximize student achievement.
- By example, the educator nominee inspires colleagues to employ innovative techniques and best practices.
- The educator nominee displays a willingness to share her/his expertise that leads colleagues down the path toward exemplary performance.
- The educator nominee demonstrates through daily practice, an understanding of the needs of learners and what it takes to bring them to high levels of achievement.

Nomination Process

Each school in District 300 is encouraged to annually establish a nominating committee of no less than three certified staff members to determine whether a nomination should be submitted. The school nominating committee will complete and submit the application by the required date. Questions regarding the process should be directed to Nancy Blackman, Foundation Committee Member, at: blackman.nancy@yahoo.com

Deadline for Nominations

Nomination applications are available on our website and are to be electronically submitted to Patricia.Ehmann@D300.org. Applications are due by **February 10, 2017**. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Selection Process

The Selection Committee will consist of District 300 certified retirees and at least one member of the Board of Trustees of the District 300 Foundation for Educational Excellence. The nominees for this award will be listed on our website www.d300foundation.org prior to the annual Foundation Awards Banquet in April.

Presentation

All Nominees will be honored at the annual awards banquet in April. The Foundation will then announce who has been selected as the 2017 D300 Foundation for Educational Excellence Distinguished Educator of the Year.