



TEACHER
OF
THE YEAR
Application Packet

“Changing the Future . . . One Child at a Time”

2017-2018

Mason County Schools

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE 2016-2017 TEACHER OF THE YEAR APPLICATION FORM

- Please provide **all** information requested in the application form.
- Please limit your answers to the number of pages requested with type size no smaller than 10 point. In order to provide all applicants with an equal opportunity **only the number of pages requested will be accepted.** Any additional pages and/or materials submitted will not be presented to the Selection Committee.

TIME LINE

June 12, 2017

Packets due by 4:00 PM

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS

Return completed application packets to:

Tonya Martin
Mason County Schools
1200 Main Street
Point Pleasant, WV 25550

Note: Applications may be sent by U.S. Mail or they can be emailed to tmartin@access.k12.wv.us or hand delivered to Central Office but they **must be returned before 4:00 PM June 12, 2017.**

2017-2018 Mason County Teacher of the Year

Application packet

I. General Information

Nominee Name _____

Home Address _____

City	State	Zip Code	Telephone
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School Name _____

School Address _____

City	State	Zip Code	Telephone
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Number of students assigned to Nominee _____

Major Subject Area _____ Grade Level _____

Total Years of Teaching Experience _____ Years in Present Position _____

Electronic Mail Address _____

II. Educational History and Professional Development Activities (two double-spaced pages)

- A. Beginning with most recent, list colleges and universities attended including postgraduate studies. Indicate degrees earned and dates of attendance.
- B. Beginning with most recent, list teaching employment history indicating time period, grade level and subject area.
- C. Beginning with most recent, list professional association memberships including information regarding offices held and other relevant activities.
- D. Beginning with most recent, list staff development leadership activity and leadership activity in the training of future teachers.
- E. Beginning with the most recent, list awards and other recognition of your teaching.

III. Professional Biography – (two double-spaced pages)

- A. What were the factors that influenced you to become a teacher? Describe what you consider to be your greatest contributions and accomplishments in education.

IV. Community Involvement – (one double-spaced page)

- A. Describe your commitment to your community through service-oriented activities such as volunteer work, civic responsibilities and other group activities.

V. Philosophy of Teaching – (two double-spaced pages)

- A. Describe your personal feelings and beliefs about teaching, including your own ideas of what makes you an outstanding teacher. Describe the rewards you find in teaching.
- B. How are your beliefs about teaching demonstrated in your personal teaching style?

VI. Education Issues and Trends – (two double-spaced pages)

- A. What do you consider to be the major public education issues today?
Address one in depth, outlining possible causes, effects and resolutions.

VII. The Teaching Profession – (two double spaced pages)

- A. What do you do to strengthen and improve the teaching profession?
- B. What is and/or what should be the basis for accountability in the teaching profession?

VIII. State Teacher of the Year Selection Process – (respond below)

- A. The Mason County Teacher of the year must be willing to represent Mason County in the State Teacher of the year selection process.
- B. Response – If selected as the Mason County Teacher of the Year are you willing to complete the State Teacher of the Year Application Packet and submit it to WVDE in time for it to **arrive** before the July 1, 2017 state deadline? Please note; there is only one additional, (one page question), beyond what you have completed in the Mason County Application packet. The WV Teacher of the year application packet is posted on the WVDE Web Site at <http://wvde.state.wv.us/hr/>

_____ Yes

_____ No

Signature

Eligibility Guidelines for State Teacher of The Year, (Mason County’s Teacher of The Year must also meet these guidelines).

This opportunity is open to early childhood, middle/junior high and adolescent level teachers of all subject areas. The Teacher must meet the following requirements:

- Hold professional certification in area(s) of assignment
- Be a current full-time classroom teacher as defined by a teaching contract
- Have completed the past three years as a full-time classroom teacher in West Virginia
- In the event that you currently have or have had approved leave in the past three years which did not constitute a break in service, you are eligible to apply