

Advocating support and challenge for Batavia's gifted and talented students

1st Annual Exemplary Educator Awards

The purpose of the Exemplary Educator Award is to recognize those BPS101 teachers and administrators for their *outstanding* contribution to providing differentiated instruction that challenges *all* students to reach their full potential.

Types of Awards

Seven Educator Awards and one Administrator Award will be presented at the May 2014 Board of Education Meeting:

- (1) East Side Exemplary Elementary Educator
- (1) West Side Exemplary Elementary Educator
- (3) Exemplary Middle School Educators: 1 for each grade level
- (2) Exemplary High School Educators: (1) for the Humanities and (1) for STEM subjects
- (1) Exemplary Administrator

Eligibility

The following *teachers* are eligible for the Exemplary Educator Awards:

- ✓ Classroom teachers
- ✓ Special area teachers (i.e. music, art, foreign languages, P.E., shop, etc.)
- ✓ Other professional educators performing instructional support services with students, for example:
 - school psychologist
 - school social workers
 - gifted coaches
 - o media specialists
 - o speech/language pathologists

The following administrator roles are eligible for the Exemplary Administrator Award:

- ✓ Principals
- ✓ Dean of Students
- ✓ Guidance counselors
- ✓ District administrators
- ✓ Instructional coaches

Nomination Process

Nominations will be accepted online at the following link through Friday, May 2, 2014: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/HKXS3DK

Parents and students may submit nominations. Nominations will be reviewed and awards determined by the CANDO executive board. The CANDO board would like permission to read comments made about the exemplary educators on the nomination form at the award ceremony. All publicly read comments will be kept anonymous.

Selection Criteria

- 1. Demonstrates a superior ability to foster excellence in education and contributes to the continuous improvement of student learning and the school environment. Displays relevancy and expertise in content area.
- 2. Demonstrates leadership in educational activities at the school, district and/or state and national level (i.e. active membership in an advisory council, task force or professional organization, or through involvement as a grade level or department chair).
- 3. Engages in inquiry or research techniques in the classroom to improve the teaching and learning process.
- 4. Engages parents/families in the learning process to enhance student achievement.
- 5. Demonstrates a commitment to creating a climate of caring and respect conducive to effective teaching and learning.
- 6. Shows evidence and dedication to his/her community through active participation in service-oriented projects, volunteer work, etc.
- 7. Demonstrates poise, eloquence and outstanding communication skills.
- 8. Effectively communicates efforts in the classroom with parents/guardians.
- 9. Utilizes original and/or innovative instructional materials, methods, curriculum or tools, such as interdisciplinary instruction, project-based learning, research-based programs, or technology to facilitate differentiated instruction.

QUESTIONS? Please email the CANDO Board at bataviacando@gmail.com