

Potomac Association of Cooperative Teachers



Award for Devoted Service in Early Childhood Education

PACT reinstated its annual Award for Devoted Service in Early Childhood Education in 2016. Members of PACT are invited to nominate exemplary teachers and directors for this award.

Criteria

Nominations will be judged in five areas: exemplary teaching and/or directing to promote such teaching; encouraging the educational, social and emotional growth of children and parents; support of parents; continued professional growth; and awareness of current concepts and trends in ECE.

Specific directions for documenting excellence in these areas are found on the two-page Nominating Form below. You will be writing **one narrative** that contains at least one paragraph explaining how your nominee meets these five criteria (numbers one through five on the following page.) Note that for the first two of these, you will also need two letters of reference (one for each.)

Self-nominations will not be accepted.

The nominee must be a member of PACT.

Deadline: Nominations must be received no later than **March 1, 2022.**

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Nomination Form

Nominee's name _____

School _____ Position _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Postal Address _____

Number of years of experience relevant to ECE _____

Nominator's name _____

School _____ Position _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Please submit one narrative that includes statements on the following:

- 1) At least one paragraph on how the nominee demonstrates or promotes exemplary preschool teaching. Also submit one letter of reference targeting teaching or teacher-mentoring practices.
- 2) At least one paragraph on how the nominee encourages the educational, social and emotional growth of children and parents. Again, also submit a letter of reference that speaks specifically to this area. (Consider asking teachers, parents, special service providers to children and adults, even adult alumni to write.)

Letters of reference must include the writer's name, relation to nominee, and contact information.

3) At least one paragraph on how the nominee demonstrates support for parents. (Consider citing parent programs, workshops, conferences, referrals and source materials provided by the nominee.)

4) At least one paragraph on how the nominee pursues continued professional growth and the nominee's certificates (or other official evidence) for whatever training is required by your licensing jurisdiction for the last two years. Also supply information about additional activities

such as outside courses taken, conferences attended, books read and shared, or observations of other programs.

5) At least one paragraph about how the nominee demonstrates awareness of current concepts and trends in ECE. If the nominee is involved with or is a member of other relevant organizations, please list these and what positions were held.

Be sure to make a copy of this nomination form and all accompanying documents for your own records before you submit them. Remember, the deadline is March 1, 2022!

This nomination form and all accompanying documents may be scanned and sent via email to pactpresident4@gmail.com

PACT is fortunate in having so many excellent educators as members.

Thank you so much for helping us recognize one who will symbolize the devotion of PACT to Early Childhood Education.