

Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District

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PIONEER VALLEY EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING AWARDS 2018 – 2019

Dear Teachers, Families, and Students,

This teaching awards program recognizes and honors local educators from public and private school districts in the greater Pioneer Valley. Since 2003, over 1,800 educators have been honored for their commitment and dedication.

The Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District is currently accepting nominations, based on certain criteria from teachers, families, and students. As a District, we are eligible to nominate 3 PTS (*Professional Teaching Status*) teachers and 1 Beginning teacher. Each nominee must be certified by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and employed full-time.

The nominees for "veteran teacher" must have more than 3 years of teaching experience. The nominee for "beginning teacher" must have 1-3 years total full-time teaching experience (not only in the HWRSD).

We invite you to visit the NEWS section of our district website at <http://www.hwrdsd.org> to download the nomination form and to view former award winning teachers. Please consider nominating a teacher who you feel meets the criteria.

Nominations should be emailed to Andrea Noonan at anoonan@hwrdsd.org, no later than Friday, February 1, 2019.

Sincerely,


John Derosia, Secondary Curriculum Director

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Julie Keefe, Elementary Curriculum Director

PIONEER VALLEY EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING AWARDS
Nomination Form
2018– 2019

Hampden – Wilbraham Regional School District
Wilbraham, MA

Name of Nominee: _____

Beginning Teacher (*In their first 3 years of career teaching, **NOT** their first 3 years at HWRSD.*): _____

Experienced Teacher: _____

School: _____ Grade/Subject: _____

Principal's Name: _____

Please check (✓) the appropriate area for school and class information.

<input type="checkbox"/> Elementary	<input type="checkbox"/> Middle School	<input type="checkbox"/> High School	<input type="checkbox"/> K-12 Special
<input type="checkbox"/> Early Childhood (PreK-1)	<input type="checkbox"/> English Language Arts	<input type="checkbox"/> English	<input type="checkbox"/> Related Arts
<input type="checkbox"/> Primary (2-3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Social Studies	<input type="checkbox"/> Social Sciences/History	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Needs/Gifted
<input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate (4-5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Science/Math	<input type="checkbox"/> Science/Math	<input type="checkbox"/> Wellness/Sports
	<input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Language	<input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Language	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:

Based on the criteria for nomination, please address three of the areas below that demonstrate why this candidate was chosen for nomination. Your comments should clearly show what makes this person stand out above the others and what they do on a daily basis that significantly affects the lives of the children they service.

The nominee must be a certified teacher by the state of Massachusetts.

1. The nominee must:
 - a. Be viewed as a leader in your school or in the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District.
 - b. Be well-respected by peers, students, and families.
 - c. Demonstrate enthusiasm.

2. The nominee must demonstrate professionalism through the following:
 - a. Excellence in teaching practices.
 - b. His/her own professional development.
 - c. Good attendance on the job.
 - d. His/her demonstration of collaboration and cooperation.
 - e. Other areas deemed reasonable by the selection team.

3. Reaches above and beyond:
 - a. Community outreach related to education.
 - b. School/District based committee work, coaching, co-curricular activities.
 - c. Volunteer activity – formal and informal related to education.

Comments: (*Please use the back side of this form, if necessary.*)

Nomination forms due by February 1, 2019

Name of Nominee: _____

School: _____

Lined writing area consisting of approximately 28 horizontal lines.