



Nomination Form

2014 MAINE TEACHER OF THE YEAR

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NOMINEE: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

HOME PHONE NUMBER: _____

GRADE/LEVEL TAUGHT _____ UNGRADED: _____ SUBJECT(S): _____

NAME AND ADDRESS OF SCHOOL:

SCHOOL PHONE NUMBER: _____ FAX: _____

NAME OF PRINCIPAL: _____

PRINCIPAL'S EMAIL: _____

PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE: _____

NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUPERINTENDENT:

SUPERINTENDENT'S PHONE NUMBER: _____

SUPERINTENDENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

Deadline for Return: Postmarked by February 1, 2013 or hand delivered by 5 PM, Friday, February 1, 2013.

**Mail to: Teacher of the Year Program
Attention: Jennifer Pooler
Maine Department of Education
23 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0023**

NOMINATION RATIONALE

(To be completed by the school administrative unit or Nominating Committee—please limit your responses to 1 double-spaced page for each of the 3 questions; font no smaller than 11 pt.)

- 1. What creative projects make this teacher’s work in the school community outstanding?
- 2. What has been this teacher's influence on students?
- 3. Describe the ways this teacher demonstrates leadership and relates to his/her colleagues.

Signatures of Nominating Committee members and their positions:

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Schools Attended By Nominee	Degree	Major/Minor	Date(s) Attended
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Other Education and/or Special Training

Include the current year in calculating the following information:

Years Teaching: _____ Years Teaching in Maine: _____

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Dates	Position	School/Location
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I give my permission for any relevant materials of the above nominee to be shared with persons interested in promoting the State or National Teacher of the Year program. I also understand that, if chosen to serve as Maine Teacher of the Year, I will continue in my current teaching position in Maine for the academic year 2013-2014. In addition, I certify that the above information is accurate and true.

Signature of Nominee

All nominees must be employed full-time and teaching students at least fifty percent of that time.

NOMINEE'S POSITION PAPER

The nominee should respond to the following question and limit the response to 3 double-spaced pages; font no smaller than 11 pt.:

"WHY SHOULD I BE CHOSEN AS THE 2013-14 MAINE TEACHER OF THE YEAR?"

In your response, please address the following areas and label each section.

1. Unique aspects of my teaching (including how I address the Maine *Learning Results* in my daily lessons)
2. Strengths as a professional
3. Professional interests

Be sure to include this as part of your nomination package.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

The scoring committee will review 4 supporting letters of recommendation (1 page each). We suggest 1 from a colleague, 1 from a parent, 1 from a student if age appropriate, and 1 from an administrator. Please enclose these with the nomination package.

INTRODUCTORY PARAGRAPH

Include a short paragraph that captures the essence of the teacher being nominated to be used as an introduction or for media opportunities. Please enclose this with the nomination package.

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- **Please do not send any other materials with the nomination package.**
 - **Please do not staple the nomination papers or put them in a binder. We will need to make copies of them.**
 - **Faxed forms will not be accepted.**

For additional information contact:

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