

Charlotte County Teacher of the Year

— Information Packet —

Purpose

The purpose of the “Teacher and Support Employee of the Year” program is to recognize outstanding teaching and outstanding support service in Charlotte County Public Schools.

This application should be used only to apply for the Teacher of the Year recognition; there is a separate application and process for the Support Employee of the Year.

Eligibility

As defined by the Florida Department of Education, the following full-time district educators are eligible for nomination:

- Classroom teachers – Grades Pre-K through 12
- Adult education teachers
- Postsecondary vocational/technical education teachers
- Department chairpersons who actively engage in classroom training
- Guidance counselors
- Media specialists
- Speech/language pathologists
- Special area teachers (i.e. ESE, foreign languages)
- Other professional educators performing instructional support services with students

School personnel who work in an administrative or supervisory capacity, such as principals or deans of students, are ineligible for this program.

Evaluation Process

- Complete the attached application and return it by the due date.
- Only completed applications will be accepted.
- Applications received after the due date will not be considered by the selection committee.
- An independent selection committee of Charlotte County education, community, and business leaders will review the local applications. All information will be treated confidentially.
- To ensure impartiality, a “blind review” process will be utilized.

Awards

- CCPS Teacher of the Year Representative:
Receives a stipend from Charlotte Local Education Foundation
- “Regional” Teacher of the Year:
Receives a stipend from Florida Department of Education.
- State of Florida Finalist:
Receives a stipend from Florida Department of Education.
- State of Florida Teacher of the Year Representative:
Receives a stipend from Florida Department of Education.

For More Information

- Contact Mike Riley
School and Community Relations Officer
1441 Tamiami Trail, Suite 365, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 (Port Charlotte Town Center)
(941) 255-7430
Michael.Riley@yourcharlotteschools.net

Timeline

November 6, 2018

Application packets must be received before 12:00 noon

Return original application and 10 copies
of professional data page to:

Mike Riley
School and Community Relations Officer
(Located at Port Charlotte Town Center)

Be sure that all of your packets are assembled correctly.

NOTE: Late packets will not be accepted. Applications must be complete in order to be considered.

November 2018

Applications are reviewed by a selection committee comprised of Charlotte County education, community, and business leaders.

November 2018

Mr. Dionisio and School Board members make school visits to each of the five (5) Teacher of the Year Finalists.

December 2018

The five (5) teachers selected as Teacher of the Year Finalists will be observed by each of the selection committee members.

January 19, 2019

The Charlotte County "Teacher of the Year" and "Support Employee of the Year" Charlotte Local Education Foundation's Annual Celebration.

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— Application —

Name _____ SSN ____ - ____ - ____
Home Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____
School _____ School Phone _____ Ext. _____
Certification Type _____ Number _____ Exp. _____
_____ Number _____ Exp. _____

Guidelines

- Due to the “blind review process” that will be utilized, your name and your school’s name should *only* appear on this page.
- All portions of the application must be typed (or computer-generated, following this format *exactly*); to have an electronic copy sent to you, contact the office of School and Community Relations at (941) 255-7430 or Michael.Riley@yourcharlotteschool.net.
- Use Arial font, 11 point size or larger; type in regular typeface (not bold or italics).
- Make copies on white paper only.
- Use only the amount of space designated on this form.
- Follow directions carefully; do not skip any questions.
- Do not include additional materials. (They will be detached and will not be considered.)
- Return 1 original application **plus** 10 copies of pages 2 thru last *only*.

Deadline

Return application packet by Monday, November 5, 2018 by 12 noon to Barbara Lee Erdmann at CCPS School and Community Relations Officer located at Port Charlotte Town Center.

References

1. **Principal’s Name** _____
Home Phone _____ **School Phone** _____
Cell Phone _____
Signature _____ **Date** _____
2. **Teaching colleague’s Name** _____
Home Phone _____ **School Phone** _____
Cell Phone _____
Signature _____ **Date** _____

The thoughts expressed in this application are my own, and I hereby give my permission to use the enclosed information for the compilation of data. I also understand that if I am selected as one of the five finalists or the Teacher of the Year, that I have obligated myself to attending all related festivities (i.e. local Celebration, school board meeting announcement, associated regional and statewide events, etc.).

Signature

Date

Professional Data

Current Teaching Subject(s): _____ Grade Level(s) _____

Total Years Teaching: _____ Years Teaching in CCPS: _____ Years at Present School: _____

Education

Degree	Major	College/University	Date/Awarded

Teaching Practice

Please respond in writing to the following five (5) questions. Responses must be typed using 11-point font and double spaced. Begin each question on a new page. Number the pages continuously for the entire collection of responses.

Question 1 - 250 word limit (page 2/6 of your application)

What inspires you as an educator?

Question 2 – 350 word limit (page 3/6 of your application)

Describe the strongest evidence available to demonstrate your success at advancing student learning. We encourage you to use data from measures that are formal and informal, short and long term. Using data, how are your students performing when they enter your classroom versus when they leave?

Question 3 - 500 word limit (page 4/6 of your application)

A teacher leader is someone who affects student outcomes in classrooms beyond their own. Describe how you have been a teacher leader in your school, district or subject area.

Question 4 - 500 word limit (page 5/6 of your application)

Describe a project or initiative you have been involved in which contributed to the improvement of overall school culture. What was your role, how did you involve others and where is this project today? Please include evidence of student impact.

Question 5 - 250 word limit (page 6/6 of your application)

As a Teacher of the Year, you would serve as a spokesperson and representative for the teaching profession, especially Charlotte County teachers. What would be your primary message?