

Marian Greenblatt Education Fund

Nomination Checklist and Guidelines For Teacher Awards



Nominations are being accepted for the Master and Rising-Star Excellence in Teaching Awards by the second Friday in January. The Marian Greenblatt Education Fund will award three Master Teachers a \$2,000 cash prize each and one Rising-Star Teacher \$1,000. In addition, if the PTA of the winning teacher's school is active in the nomination process, it will receive \$100 for school supplies, equipment, or enrichment programs.

Nominee Information:

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| Nominee's Name: |
| Grade/Level Taught: |
| Subject: |
| Award Category (Master or Rising-Star): |
| Email: |
| Telephone: |

School Information:

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| Name of School: |
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Nominator Information:

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| Nominator Name: |
| Nominator's Role: example: Principal, Colleague, Administrator, Parent, PTA Rep, Other |
| Nominator's Email: |
| Nominator's Telephone: |

CHECKLIST/REQUIREMENTS (suggested list)

- _____ Nominee is currently a full-time teacher in Montgomery County Public Schools.
- _____ **Minimum** experience for Master Award is six years of teaching in MCPS.
- _____ **Maximum** experience for Rising-Star Award is five years of full-time teaching.
- _____ Resume of Nominee.
- _____ Letter of Nomination from Principal.
- _____ Letter of Support from Resource Person or Fellow Teacher.
- _____ Letter of Support from Parent is helpful.
- _____ Supporting evidence from outside authorities in the form of test results and/or letters of commendation from MCPS officials, if available.

NOMINATION GUIDELINES

1. The nomination packet should be a maximum of eight pages, single-sided, including the coversheet, for Master teachers; five pages for Rising Stars. Fewer pages are ok.
2. Nominations must be delivered by 5 pm of the second Friday in January, by email (pdf preferred) to info@greenblatteducationfund.org or to the Marian Greenblatt Education Fund, 11308 Tara Road, Potomac, MD 20854.
3. Do not send photos, videotapes, loose-leaf binders, artwork, or letters of support from current students.

JUDGING CRITERIA, SUPPORTING EVIDENCE & LETTERS

Applicants will be judged using the three broad categories below. Supporting evidence for the criteria, in the form of letters from colleagues and parents, will be very helpful.

Student Focus & Results

- The students demonstrate positive academic results compared to peers and benchmarks.
- The teacher motivates students to excel, with innovative instruction methods.
- The teacher demonstrates a commitment to closing the achievement gap.

Commitment to Montgomery County Public Schools

- The teacher contributes to the Montgomery County Public School system through sharing teaching practices, displaying leadership outside of her/his own school, and (for Master teachers) acting as a mentor for young colleagues.

Links to School and Community

- The teacher is active in professional organizations, school activities, and MCPS efforts, as well as the larger community.