

2012 KURT SCHMOLDT TEACHER APPRECIATION AWARD

The Kurt Schmoldt Teacher Appreciation Award is a cash award presented annually to a full-time Bartlesville Public School District teacher, coach or counselor who exemplifies the dynamic qualities of an outstanding educator and citizen. This award is not for the “best teacher,” but for one who exemplifies the finest in the profession.

Nominees should communicate effectively and demonstrate creative and imaginative teaching on a day-to-day basis. Nominees should inspire the value of learning in students of all backgrounds and abilities to assure academic success for students.

The panel of judges will consider the following criteria in choosing a recipient for the Kurt Schmoldt Teacher Appreciation Award: the nominee’s instructional expertise, interpersonal effectiveness, total school involvement, professional development and community service activities.

Instructional Expertise

1. Demonstrates knowledge of content
2. Demonstrates thorough planning for instruction
3. Demonstrates instructional methods that inspire students of varying backgrounds and abilities
4. Employs a variety of instructional strategies
5. Utilizes effective instructional materials
6. Employs a variety of techniques to monitor and evaluate student progress
7. Demonstrates effective classroom management techniques
8. Provides a positive learning environment for students

Interpersonal Effectiveness

1. Communicates effectively with parents
2. Displays supportive rapport with students
3. Supports, motivates, and communicates well with students

Total School Involvement

1. Demonstrates a willingness to accept out-of-classroom responsibilities
2. Displays involvement in school activities

Professional Development and Community Service

1. Serves on school and / or city-wide committees
2. Participates actively and assumes leadership in staff development within the school building
3. Pursues courses and / or graduate degrees
4. Participates actively and assumes leadership in professional organizations

Selection Process

Teachers can be nominated for this award by any member of the community, parents, students or school employees.

The nomination form should be completed and returned to the Community Relations office in the Education Service Center (1100 S. Jennings) by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2012. It can be emailed to David Austin, the community relations coordinator for the Bartlesville Public School District, at AustinDK@bps-ok.org.

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Nomination Form

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If you wish to nominate a teacher, counselor or coach for this award, please complete this form and send it to (due date is Tuesday, Jan. 24 by 5 p.m.):

David Austin
Community Relations Coordinator
Education Service Center
1100 S. Jennings
Bartlesville, OK 74005

(Save this form to your computer. Complete the form and email it to David Austin at AustinDK@bps-ok.org)

Name of Nominee _____

School _____ Subject / grade taught _____

Please answer all questions below. (If necessary, attach additional comments to the nomination form.)

1. What identifies this nominee as an educator worthy of receiving the Kurt Schmoldt Teacher Appreciation Award?

2. How does the nominee provide a positive learning environment for students?

3. What specific examples can you cite that indicate the nominee's ability to inspire and motivate students?

4. How is the nominee involved in out-of-classroom activities? (sponsoring an organization, civic or professional).

Nominator's Name _____ Phone _____

Parent _____ Student _____ Teacher _____ Other _____

Signature(or email address) _____