



Premier's Awards for Excellence in Education – Nominations Now Open



The Premier's Awards for Excellence in Education were created to recognize the enormous contributions of B.C.'s exceptional teachers, administrators and support staff who are vital to the cultural, economic and social well-being of the province. The Premier's Awards provide students, parents, teachers and other members of the community with an opportunity to celebrate those who make a real difference in B.C. schools.

What awards are available?

This year, there are ten categories of awards available:

1. Community Engagement
2. District Leadership
3. Extracurricular Leadership
4. Indigenous Education
5. Outstanding New Teacher
6. Outstanding Support (School Community)
7. Outstanding Support (Teaching Assistant)
8. Outstanding Team Collaboration
9. School Leadership
10. Social Equity and Diversity



Who is eligible?

Categories are open to all individuals who are a B.C. teaching certificate holder and currently teaching within the B.C. Kindergarten to Grade 12 public, independent or First Nations school systems, with the following exceptions:

- District Leadership is open to all individuals who are a B.C teaching certificate holder and currently working as a district educational leader.
- Outstanding Support (School Community) is intended for those individuals who provide support in a broader school setting rather than within a classroom (i.e. bus drivers, crossing guards, student supervisors, aboriginal cultural facilitators, custodians, maintenance/trades, and clerical).
- Outstanding Support (Teaching Assistant) is intended for those individuals who provide support within a classroom setting (including Aboriginal Education Support Workers & Indigenous Youth Workers).
- School Leadership is open to all individuals who are a B.C. teaching certificate holder and currently working as a school-based leader.

What will winners and runners up receive?

Winners will receive a \$3,000 taxable personal bursary for professional learning, and a \$2,000 contribution to their school community for professional learning. New this year, runners up will receive a \$1,000 taxable personal bursary for professional learning, and a \$1,000 contribution to their school community for professional learning. Awards for each category will be presented at a celebratory event this coming October, in conjunction with World Teacher Day.

How do I nominate someone?

Visit the [Premier's Awards for Excellence in Education](#) website to view criteria for each category, see nomination requirements and access the online nomination forms. Downloadable forms are also available for those individuals who prefer to email or mail in their nomination package.

When is the nomination deadline?

April 30, 2020

Who should I contact if I have questions?

Email ExcellenceinEducation@gov.bc.ca