



Excellence in Teaching Awards

Nomination Guidelines

Local teachers can be nominated to receive a \$1,000 grant towards educational expenses and \$1,000 for their school! The Excellence in Teaching Award recognizes 20 outstanding and dedicated teachers in our area. Recipients of this award receive \$1,000 towards classroom expenses and a commemorative keepsake. The recipient's school also receives a \$1,000 award. All told, \$40,000 will be awarded to schools and educators through this year's program!

Applications will be accepted through December 22, 2023.

All Excellence in Teaching Award recipients will be recognized at the FMFCU Foundation Celebration on April 25, 2024 at The Drexelbrook Events Center in Drexel Hill, PA.

ELIGIBILITY

- Teachers can be nominated by students, parents, co-workers or supervisors
- Nominees must be Pennsylvania or Delaware-certified active teachers in good standing that provide direct instruction to students in a classroom setting.
- Nominees must teach in one of the following counties:
 - Chester
 - Delaware
 - Montgomery
 - New Castle
 - Philadelphia
- Recipients must be able to attend the 2024 FMFCU Foundation Celebration on April 25, 2024 at The Drexelbrook to personally accept the award.

NOMINATION PROCESS

A complete nomination must be submitted prior to the deadline of December 22, 2023. Nominations are only accepted through the official online submission form. Nominations can be submitted by students, parents, co-workers or supervisors.

The nomination form must be completed to be considered. Each nomination will be reviewed by a panel of judges comprised of representatives from the field of education and FMFCU Foundation.

Judges will score and review nominations based on the following:

- Well-written and purposeful responses to questions, describing a well-rounded teacher in our community
- Specific examples of the teacher's effectiveness
- Evidence supporting of the teacher's contributions to education
- Personal interactions dealing with the teacher

NOTIFICATION OF AWARD RECIPIENTS

FMFCU Foundation Excellence in Teaching Award recipients shall be notified directly after the Foundation has given final approval of the recipients. FMFCU Foundation will work with school administrators to notify the recipient. Please ensure all contact information is correct for both the nominator and the nominee, in the case it needs to be used to notify any recipients. Recipients shall be required to sign and return a copy of the letter indicating his/her acceptance of the award and confirm attendance at the FMFCU Foundation Celebration.

RECIPIENT EXPECTATIONS

Excellence in Teaching Award Recipients are expected to:

- Complete all paperwork upon receiving award.
- Attend a photo and video shoot hosted by FMFCU Foundation in Delaware County, PA, date TBD.
- Personally accept the award at the annual FMFCU Foundation Celebration on April 25, 2024 at The Drexelbrook Events Center.
- Use the \$1,000 cash award for educational expenses. The recipient should provide information on expenditures prior to the money being released.