

## **NJAGC 2021 Teacher of the Year Award: Overview and Instructions**

### **This Year, We Will Be Collecting Nomination Materials Online**

**Since many of our schools will start with distance learning, we will be collecting nomination materials online, so that individuals can prepare and upload items while without in-person coordination.**

**Please read the overview information for this award and prepare materials in advance so they will be ready to upload into the nominations form as pdf documents.**

**The nomination form requires that you use a Google-Based Account or Gmail address in order to upload required materials.**

**To be considered for the Teacher of the Year Award, the candidate should demonstrate:**

- Exemplary and/or innovative contributions of time and effort in support of gifted children in New Jersey.
- Consistent advocacy for gifted education.
- Instructional and/or educational contribution to gifted education, locally, statewide, or nationally.
- Implementation of a successful gifted and talented program aligned with [NAGC Programming Standards](#).

**A complete list of required nominating materials also includes:**

- A nomination essay by the Primary Nominator (or candidate if self-nominating) explaining why you believe this person is worthy of the award. Please include specific examples.
- The candidate's vitae or complete background information including professional memberships, leadership roles, and awards, submitted by the Primary Nominator or the Awards Candidate.
- At least three Recommendation letters containing specific examples of how the candidate made a difference for gifted students (one from an administrator, one from a parent, and one from either a current or former student or a colleague.)
- Other supporting documents that may help the judges in their decision (news releases, list of publications, etc.)

**Please note that all materials should be submitted between 9/15/2020 and 12/19/2020 to be considered.**

**If you have questions or need assistance, contact us at [awards@njagc.org](mailto:awards@njagc.org)**

