



# EAST HAMPTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**Help us recognize and honor the**

## **2018-19 East Hampton Public Schools *Teacher of the Year***

To the East Hampton Public Schools Community,

Please consider nominating one of our many outstanding teachers to be the 2018-19 East Hampton Public Schools Teacher of the Year and our representative in the 2018-19 Connecticut State Teacher of the Year Program. This process allows our district to recognize one teacher who then becomes eligible to apply for recognition as the State of Connecticut Teacher of the Year.\* A formal committee composed of teachers and administrators will review applications from the nominated individuals prior to the announcement of our local recipient in June 2018.

The East Hampton Teacher of the Year Program recognizes and honors teacher excellence. It does not attempt to select the “best” teacher; rather, to identify, from among many outstanding teachers, one teacher to serve as a visible and vocal representative of what is best in the profession. The program celebrates excellence in teaching by recognizing teachers who have inspired a love for learning in their students and who have distinguished themselves in the profession.

The Connecticut Teacher of the Year Program began in 1952. It is sponsored by the Connecticut State Department of Education, Talent Office, and a number of corporate, organizational and individual sponsors. The process begins with the selection of a teacher of the year in each district and continues to the national level, where the Connecticut Teacher of the Year becomes eligible for national honors.

The Connecticut Teacher of the Year Program selects one teacher and the three CT state finalists to serve as teacher-ambassadors for public education. They are appointed to various education advisory committees and become consultants to the Commissioner of Education. They present workshops; speak at education conferences and meetings; address student, civic, college and university, and governmental groups; and operate special programs in accordance with their interests and expertise. The Connecticut Teacher of the Year also represents the state at the national level—participating in national educational forums, National Teacher of the Year Program planning and networking sessions, and U.S. Department of Education meetings.

The first step in this process is the most important – the nomination of our own East Hampton Teacher of the Year! Please use the attached nomination form and return it to Rosemarie Smith, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent in a sealed envelope no later than Monday, April 23, 2018.

Paul K. Smith, Superintendent



\* In accordance with the guidelines established by the state program, each nominee for the Connecticut Teacher of the Year must be a Connecticut certified public teacher, pre-kindergarten through grade 12 who spends 51 percent or more of his/her time in the classroom. However, the East Hampton Teacher of the Year Committee encourages the nomination of all certified staff for our local recognition.



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*Nomination Form for*  
**2018-19 East Hampton Public Schools Teacher of the Year**

Name of Nominator: \_\_\_\_\_

*Anonymous nominations are welcome!*

Relationship to Nominee (colleague, student, parent, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

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Nominee's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's School and Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability:

**Please describe how the teacher inspires students to maximize their potential.**

**How does this teacher demonstrate knowledge of current educational trends and a personal commitment to lifelong learning?**

**Briefly describe why you personally feel compelled to nominate him or her for the Teacher of the Year?**



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## Timeline for Teacher of the Year

|                           |  |
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| Monday, March 19, 2018    | East Hampton Public Schools Teacher of the Year nomination information is distributed to the school community.                           |
| Monday, April 23, 2018    | Deadline to submit nomination forms to Rosemarie Smith at the Central Office, 94 Main Street.  |
| Wednesday, April 25, 2018 | Application forms are given out to nominees in person by a Teacher of the Year Committee representative.                                 |
| Friday, May 11, 2018      | All application forms must be submitted to Nancy Briere, Director of Curriculum for consideration as East Hampton Teacher of the Year.   |
| Week of May 21, 2018      | Selection committee reviews applications, conducts interviews, and selects the East Hampton Public Schools Teacher of the Year.          |
| Friday, June 1, 2018      | The East Hampton Public Schools Teacher of the Year is introduced to the school community and local newspapers.                          |
| August 2018, TBD          | Application for State of Connecticut Teacher of the Year is due to the Connecticut State Department of Education.                        |
| Tuesday, August 28, 2018  | East Hampton Teacher of the Year is introduced to staff and honored at the annual East Hampton Public Schools Convocation.               |
| December 5, 2018          | East Hampton Public Schools Teacher of the Year honored at the State of Connecticut awards ceremony at the Bushnell Theater in Hartford. |





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## *East Hampton Public Schools Past Teachers of the Year*

|      |                         |
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| 1982 | Lucina Moriarty         |
| 1984 | Helen Curylo            |
| 1085 | Louis Piotrowski        |
| 1986 | Carol Tracy             |
| 1987 | Wallace Clebowicz       |
| 1988 | Richard LaFave          |
| 1989 | Sally Mulligan          |
| 1990 | Nicholas Badolato       |
| 1991 | Donna J. Valli          |
| 1992 | Mary-Jane Traska        |
| 1993 | Sarah V. Malinoski      |
| 1994 | Joanne S. Dumeer        |
| 1995 | Andrea R. Bogue         |
| 1996 | Nancy C. Briere         |
| 1997 | Leslie J. Kassman       |
| 1998 | Joyce A. Weybright      |
| 1999 | Nicole O. Hecklinger    |
| 2000 | Peggy A. Schaedler      |
| 2001 | Carolyn Wells Simsarian |
| 2002 | Curtis D. Weybright     |
| 2003 | Lois V. Sprague         |
| 2004 | Kathleen Fearon         |
| 2005 | Craig Smith             |
| 2016 | Christina Amaral        |
| 2017 | Kristen Keska           |

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