



Clark Public Schools
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Dear Members of the Kumpf Middle School Community,

*This year, the Clark Public Schools will be participating in the Governor's Educator of the Year Program. Parents, staff, and community members are encouraged to nominate a **Teacher** and/or an **Educational Services Professional (ESP)** for this recognition. The nomination form for both the Teacher and ESP is on the next page. You may submit only ONE nomination form for each category. Below are the eligibility requirements. If you are interested in nominating a teacher or Educational Services Professional, please complete the nomination form. Nominations must be submitted to the Kumpf main office no later than Friday, December 15, 2017.*

Eligibility Criteria For Educator or Educational Services Professionals

Any educators nominated for this award must meet all the following requirements:

- Be a **licensed, highly-qualified classroom teacher** (K – 12) or **educational services professional** (see below for the list of eligible certification areas)
- Must have achieved a 2016 – 17 **summative rating of at least Effective**;
- Be a dedicated and skilled teacher leader who is **planning to actively continue his/her teaching career for at least 5 more years**;
- Inspire students of **all backgrounds and abilities** to learn;
- Demonstrate strong ability to foster excellence in education as evidenced by **ongoing contributions to the improvement of student learning and the learning environment**;
- **Demonstrate leadership** in educational activities at the school, district, and/or state and national level that take place both within or out of the school setting;
- Have the **respect and admiration** of students, parents, and colleagues;
- Demonstrate **poise, eloquence and the ability to maintain a demanding schedule**.
- **Have not earned the title of Teacher of the Year for the past five (5) years***;
- *Teacher nominees only:* Have **teaching as their primary responsibility** rather than administrative or supervisory responsibilities

Eligible Certification Areas for Educational Services Professionals

The following are Professionals eligible in the Clark School District:

- 1) Director of School Counseling Services
- 2) Learning Disabilities Teacher-Consultant
- 3) School Athletic Trainer
- 4) School Counselor
- 5) School Nurse
- 6) School Occupational Therapist
- 7) School Physical Therapist
- 8) School Psychologist
- 9) School Social Worker
- 10) Speech-Language Specialist
- 11) Student Assistance Coordinator

***Past Honorees at Kumpf (2012 – 2017) not eligible this year:**

Victoria Sasso, Victoria Hynes, Nicole Viola, Joan Zawacki



**New Jersey Department of Education
2017-18 Governor's Educator of the Year Program**

Nomination Form

Do you know a **classroom teacher or educational services professional** who is dedicated, inspiring, and making a difference? If so, please take the time to recommend this person for the Governor's Educator of the Year Program by completing this nomination form and returning it to the building principal by the specified deadline. Administrators, staff members, parents and community members are encouraged to participate.

Please return this form to the building principal by DECEMBER 15, 2017

Each candidate will be scored based on the criteria below:

- Inspires inspire students of all backgrounds and abilities to learn;
- Serves as an exceptionally skilled and dedicated educator in a public or charter school;
- Expresses themselves in an engaging and articulate way;
- Plays an active role in the community as well as the school;
- Demonstrates leadership and innovation in and outside the classroom;
- Has the respect and admiration of students, parents, and colleagues; and

| NOMINEE INFORMATION | |
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| NAME | |
| SCHOOL | |
| SCHOOL DISTRICT | |
| CURRENT POSITION | |
| NOMINATOR INFORMATION | |
| NAME | |
| EMAIL ADDRESS | |
| RELATIONSHIP TO NOMINEE | |
| NOMINATION | |
| <p><i>Please explain why you feel the educator deserves recognition, citing specific examples. Some things to consider: the educator's methods for meeting student needs, desire for professional growth, community involvement, dedication to the education profession, and rapport with students, parents and staff. The more compelling the response, the better. Therefore, please use as much space as needed below as the form will expand when you type on it. If you would like, you could attach your response separately to this form.</i></p> | |