



Music Advocates of Carroll County

Carroll County - Music Educator of the Year Award

Sponsored by the Music Advocates of Carroll County

Criteria

Any full-time classroom teacher that has taught within the county for at least three years is eligible for consideration. Past winners (within the last 5 years) are not eligible.

The Music Educator of the Year Award criteria:

- A record of outstanding teaching effectiveness both within and outside the classroom.
- The ability to inspire, promote and sustain the intellectual, musical and creative development of students.
- A pedagogical approach that is innovative, musically rigorous, creative and engaging.
- Involvement in the school community and the greater Carroll County community.

Nomination Process

Nominations may be made by any person familiar with a teacher's work – parents, students, teacher colleagues, site-based or central office administrators, or Board of Education members. Nominations must be received by the posted deadline.

Nominators will submit four (4) copies of the Nomination Packet. The Nomination Packet will include the Nomination Form and up to, but no more than, eight (8) artifacts of supporting materials. These artifacts of supporting materials may be letters of recommendation or personal testimonies, newspaper articles, recordings, published works, *etc.*, that best address the questions listed on the Nomination Form. The Selection Committee will consider all nominations that are submitted by the announced deadline.

In addition, nominators are encouraged to compile a single notebook as a keepsake, which can include biographical information, news articles, photographs, citations or letters of commendation. The notebook may contain more items than the eight artifacts, but they will not be used to determine the award recipient. The keepsake may be given to the recipient at the time of the award.

Selection Process

The Selection Committee selects one recipient and has the option of selecting up to two finalists from all nominations.

Selection Committee should (ideally) include:

- Two (2) Officers of the Music Advocates of Carroll County
- One (1) Representative from the Carroll County Arts Council
- One (1) Representative from the Carroll County Public School Staff

Timeline

- March – Solicit Nominations
- April 27 – Nominations Postmarked and/or received by Midnight
- May – Nomination Packets reviewed by the Selection Committee - Winner Announced!



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NOMINATION FORM

Teacher being nominated: _____

Assigned Levels: Elementary Middle High *(please check all that apply)*

School: _____

Principal: _____ Email: _____

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School: _____

Principal: _____ Email: _____

Nominated by: _____ Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Phone (h) _____

_____ Phone (w) _____

Phone (c) _____

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PLEASE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING: Four (4) copies of a packet (folder, binder...) each containing the following items: Nomination Form and up to, but no more than, eight (8) artifacts of supporting materials. These artifacts of supporting materials may be letters of recommendation or personal testimonies, newspaper articles, recordings, published works, *etc.*, that best address the following questions:

1. How does the nominee teach music to students; explain and highlight why this person's teaching exemplifies the criteria of this award.
2. In what ways does this teacher affect or influence students who are naturally inclined toward an interest in music, and/or whose families encourage participation in musical activities? What special opportunities, extra- or intra-curricular enriching activities, does the educator provide that benefit the students in their program?
3. In what ways does this teacher reach or influence students who might not normally be interested in, or predisposed towards music, or whose families do not actively encourage participation in musical activities?
4. Why do you think this teacher deserves special recognition? What sets them apart from the music staff in Carroll County Public Schools?

Nomination materials will not be returned unless requested by contacting the Selection Committee Chair or Music Advocates of Carroll County at musicadvocatessc@gmail.com.

Please mail (or arrange to drop off in person) all nomination materials to:

MACC
6301 White Cedar Court
Eldersburg, MD 21784

**ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BY POSTMARKED
(or delivered in person) BY April 27, 2012.**