

# Do you know a teacher who is dedicated, inspiring, and making a difference?

The classroom teacher is the backbone of the American educational system. No one person has a greater impact on the education of a child than does the teacher who creates the primary learning and instructional environment.

## Nominate a teacher for the <SCHOOL DISTRICT NAME> Teacher of the Year Award.

To nominate a teacher for the <SCHOOL DISTRICT NAME> Teacher of the Year Award, simply complete this form and send it to <SCHOOL DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT NAME/ADDRESS> by March 2, 2018.

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

**Nominee's School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Grade(s) Taught:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Subject(s) Taught:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please explain **why you** feel the educator you are nominating should be the District Teacher of the Year, citing specific examples. Some things to consider: the teacher's methods for meeting student needs, desire for professional growth, community involvement, dedication to the teaching profession, and rapport with students, parents and staff.

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The <SCHOOL DISTRICT NAME> Teacher of the Year becomes eligible to apply for the Regional Teacher of the Year Award, and possibly for the South Dakota and/or the National Teacher of the Year Award. For more information on the Teacher of the Year Program visit, <http://doe.sd.gov/oatq/teacheroftheyear.aspx>.

**Nominator Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_