

Award for Excellence & Innovation in Teaching 2018

- Purpose:** This is an award that recognizes extraordinary accomplishment in all aspects of teaching and learning at Bessemer School District.
- Eligibility:** Bessemer School District faculty (full and part time) who are currently teaching and who have been teaching in the district for at least 2 or more years are eligible for nomination. Award recipients may receive the same award after three years and upon demonstration of additional achievement.
- Selection Criteria:** This award is presented to a faculty member who is an outstanding instructor and has a compelling record of contributions to the culture of teaching and learning in the district by meeting or exceeding the following criteria:
- Advising/mentoring of students outside of the classroom
 - Extremely effective teaching strategies that encourage students to participate in the teaching-learning process, including (but not limited to) innovative uses of technology to enhance student learning, both in and out of the classroom
 - Other extraordinary, unique or pioneering contributions to excellence in teaching
 - Evidence of scholarly and pedagogical growth as new knowledge is created and new classroom technology is developed
 - Demonstrate consistent leadership in faculty and/or staff development designed to enhance teaching and learning
 - Contributes as a team member with Board and Administration
- Selection Process:** One award will be given annually. Nominations must be received by **Friday, April 6, 2018** and are reviewed and selected by a committee. Should a committee member want to make a nomination, an alternative committee member will be selected. Should there be no nominations, the committee reserves the right not to offer an award for the year.
- The Committee will meet in April to consider all nominations received in the preceding September to March time period. The committee will review all nominations for evidence of teaching excellence according to the above criteria. If a committee member is nominated, selection of an alternative member will be sought. Award recipients will be notified at the Board Meeting of the academic year.

Nomination Process: Nominations may originate from individual faculty, staff, parents or students. Self-nominations will not be accepted. Nominations should clearly identify and document how the nominee meets each of the criteria listed above using the “Award for Excellence & innovation in Teaching” nomination form.

Award: An award will be given to the recipient of this honor. The individual’s name will be placed on a plaque (location to be determined).

Submission Deadline: Nominations will be accepted until **Friday, April 6, 2018**.

Award for Excellence & Innovation in Teaching Nomination Form

Nominee Name: _____ Subject/Grade Level: _____

Nominator Name: _____ Submission Date: _____

Based on the following criteria, describe with specific examples, how this nominee is a candidate for the Award for Excellence & Innovation in Teaching. You may attach additional pages, not to exceed two pages in length.

Criteria	Description with Specific Examples
Advising/mentoring of students outside of the classroom	
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Evidence of scholarly and pedagogical growth as new knowledge is created and new classroom technology is developed	
Demonstrate consistent leadership in faculty and/or staff development designed to enhance teaching and learning	

Please send this form by Friday, April 7, 2016 to:

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