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**NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**2016-17 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 3:00 PM on Friday, December 2, 2016.**

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

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| **NOMINEE INFORMATION** |
| **NAME** |  |
| **SCHOOL** |  |
| **SCHOOL DISTRICT** |  |
| **CURRENT POSITION** |  |
| **NOMINATOR INFORMATION** |
| **NAME** |  |
| **EMAIL ADDRESS** |  |
| **RELATIONSHIP TO NOMINEE** |  |
| **NOMINATION** |
| *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.*** |