**Arkansas Council of Teachers of Mathematics (ACTM)**

**2023 Teacher of the Year Awards**

**Steps to Nominate:**

You may nominate a colleague or yourself in one of the six categories listed on the next page. Educators who are not currently teaching are not eligible.

1. Complete a Nomination Packet as follows:
2. Fill out the **APPLICATION** on the following pages.
3. Collect three **Letters of Support.** These letters should establish how the nominee meets the criteria for the special award with special attention to his or her qualifications and contributions to the improvement of mathematics education in Arkansas. Specific examples should be given whenever possible. The letters of support can be written by educators, administrators, parents, students, or anyone else familiar with the person’s special contributions. If you are nominating a colleague rather than yourself, you may write one of the letters of support.
4. Email the completed Application and the 3 Letters of Support by midnight on **September 15, 2023** to [ACTMawards@gmail.com](mailto:ACTMawards@gmail.com). In the subject line, specify which level of award (e.g., ACTM Teacher of the Year, 9-12).

A member of the ACTM Awards Committee will reply to your email after we receive your documents so you will know that the application is complete. If you have not received confirmation of your submission within a week, please contact me because we may not have received it. Decisions made by the awards committee will be shared with all nominees by mid-October 2023. Awardees will be honored at our annual ACTM state conference on Friday, November 10, 2023 at University of Arkansas – Pulaski Technical College in North Little Rock.

Thank you! If you have questions, please do not hesitate to reach out.

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ACTM Awards Chair

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**APPLICATION**

The following mathematics educator is hereby nominated for an ACTM Teacher of the Year Award.

**Specify for which award the educator is being nominated by highlighting below.**

* 2023 ACTM Promising Novice Teacher of Mathematics Award

*(must have completed 1-3 years of K-12 teaching)*

*The following awards are for teachers with a minimum of four years teaching experience:*

* 2023 ACTM Excellence in Elementary School (K-4) Mathematics Teaching Award
* 2023 ACTM Excellence in Middle School (5-8) Mathematics Teaching Award
* 2023 ACTM Excellence in Secondary School (9-12) Mathematics Teaching Award
* 2023 ACTM Excellence in Two-year College Mathematics Teaching Award
* 2023 ACTM Excellence in Four-year College/University Mathematics Teaching Award

**Nominee Contact Information:**

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| Full Name of Nominee: | | |
| Preferred Email Address: | | |
| Home Street Address: | | |
| City: | State: | Zip: |
| School Name: | | |
| School Street Address: | | |
| City: | State: | Zip |
| Home Phone: | Cell Phone: | School Phone: |
| Current Principal’s/Department Chair’s Name: | | |
| Current Principal’s/Department Chair’s Email: | | |
| Number of Years Teaching Completed: | | |

**Description of Current Teaching Assignment:**

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Describe why you think the nominee is worthy of the Mathematics Teacher of the Year Award in this award category.

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Describe the nominee’s employment history relevant to teaching.

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State the nominee’s most recent degree from a higher education institution, and graduation year.

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List the relevant professional organizations in which the nominee has current membership, such as National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM).

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Describe the nominee’s experience giving presentations or workshops.

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Describe the nominee’s contributions made through publications.

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Describe other relevant accomplishments, leader positions, or community service of the nominee related to mathematics education.

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Describe classroom examples of how the nominee exemplifies at least two of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics eight Teaching Practices. See list below.

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| **Eight Mathematics Teaching Practices**  *Establish mathematics goals to focus reasoning.*  *Implement tasks that promote reasoning and problem solving.*  *Use and connect mathematical representations.*  *Facilitate meaningful mathematical discourse.*  *Pose purposeful questions.*  *Build procedural fluency from conceptual understanding.*  *Support productive struggle in learning mathematics.*  *Elicit and use evidence of student thinking.*  National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. (2014). *Principles to actions: Ensuring mathematical success for all*. NCTM. |
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**Arkansas Council of Teachers of Mathematics**

**2023 ACTM AWARDS Application Submission**

**Letters of Support Information:**

Please list the names and email addresses of people writing letters of support. (If you are self-nominating, you may not include a letter of support from yourself.)

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| **Name** | **Email Address** |
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| 2. |  |
| 3. |  |

**This application is being completed by:**

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| Name: | Email: |
| How are you related to the nominee? (e.g. colleague, administrator, student, parent, self,…) | |

**Submission Process:**

Email the completed Application and the 3 Letters of Support by midnight on **September 15, 2023** to [ACTMawards@gmail.com](mailto:ACTMawards@gmail.com). In the subject line, specify which level of award (e.g., ACTM Mathematics Teacher of the Year, 9-12).

Thank you for submitting an application for an Arkansas Mathematics Teacher of the Year Award!