

The National Excellence Awards for Teachers (NEAT) give school communities the opportunity to honour talented, inspiring and dedicated teachers of Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6 students whose efforts often go unacknowledged.

Nominate a teacher
TODAY.
The deadline is June 30th.
Simply go to
www.HeritageRESP.com/NEAT



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The Awards dedicated to recognizing teaching
excellence in the early years of education



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Working Together For Their Future.

National Excellence Awards for Teachers (NEAT™)

At the Heritage Educational Foundation, we recognize the impact teachers can have on their students, inspiring a love of learning that can last a lifetime. It is especially important to instill an appreciation and enjoyment of learning in the early school years. That's why we take the opportunity, on an annual basis, to draw attention to a group of teachers who have made special efforts to enhance the learning experience of their young students through the National Excellence Awards for Teachers (NEAT).

We would like to ask your help in this endeavour by nominating a teacher (Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6) from your community who, through their work and dedication, is making a difference in the learning experience of their students. You will find detailed information about the program below. You'll need to fill out a nomination form and send it back to us by **June 30th** in the year in which the Award is given.

Nominations forms can be easily obtained by either visiting our website at www.HeritageRESP.com/NEAT or calling 1.800.739.2101.

How Award recipients are selected

A selection committee comprised of Canadians from a broad cross-section of society including educators, parents, media, and others keenly interested in early years development will review submitted nominations.

An Award recipient will be selected from each of five regions (British Columbia and Yukon, NWT and Nunavut; Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba; Ontario; Quebec; and the Atlantic provinces). Each Award recipient will receive \$5,000.

Nominations must be postmarked by **June 30th** of the year in which the Award is being made.

Presentation of the Awards will take place in the five regions and will be announced nationally in the month of October following the close of nominations.



**Hurry up, nominate a teacher today!
June 30th is the deadline.**

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Nomination criteria and requirements for Award entitlement

- Anyone who is familiar with the teacher, except family members, may submit a nomination.
- Teachers must be nominated.
- Teachers cannot nominate themselves.
- Employees of Heritage Educational Foundation, Heritage Education Funds Inc., affiliated organizations and their immediate families, are not eligible.
- Nominees must hold a position teaching one or a combination of classes ranging from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6.
- Nominees must be residents of Canada.
- Nominations must include:
 - The name and contact information of the nominator and the teacher.
 - A testimonial of a maximum of 350 words describing the contributions made by the teacher.
- Nominations postmarked after **June 30th** will not be considered.
- A selection committee will assess qualifying nominations.
- Qualifying nominations written in French will be translated for judging by the selection committee.
- The selection committee may contact nominators, nominees and references to verify information in the nomination.
- Nominators, nominees and references may not contact members of the selection committee other than to provide information requested by the selection committee.

The selection committee will first select a pool of leading nominations from each of the five regions. From this pool, the selection committee will then select the nominees for five Heritage Educational Foundation National Excellence Awards for Teachers (NEAT).

Awards in their entirety are intended for the selected nominees and not the nominators.

To receive an Award, selected nominees must agree to the following terms and conditions:

Selected nominees must agree to have their name and image used by the Heritage Educational Foundation for promotional purposes.

Selected nominees must allow the Heritage Educational Foundation to publish details of their teaching situation.

Selected nominees must sign a declaration attesting to the accuracy of the nomination provided by the nominator.

The Heritage Educational Foundation oversees and administers Registered Education Savings Plans. Since 1988, it has returned over \$245 million to students and parents for the pursuit of post-secondary education.