

## *Nomination Process for Teacher of the Year*

### **Who?**

Teachers must be nominated, in writing, by a peer, administrator, parent, or student. Letters of nomination should be submitted to the nominee's principal.

### **Why?**

1. It is good for the teacher. Recognition boosts morale and encourages teachers to try to reach even greater heights in promoting student achievement.
2. It is good for the students. Students feel pride and joy when a teacher they know and respect is publicly recognized.
3. It is good for the school and faculty. Colleagues nominated for Teacher of the Year increase respect for a school and its staff.
4. It is good for the school district. Enhanced community prestige and community pride directly contribute to improved expectations, support for schools, and student learning.
5. It is good for the profession. The Teacher of the Year nominees are among the best advertisements the profession can put forth as evidence of success in education. Each nominee represents hundreds of educators in sending the message of the hard work and dedication of America's teachers.
6. It is good for the community. A Teacher of the Year provides society the opportunity to recognize the importance of formal learning and to reconfirm its respect and debt to the teachers of the past, present, and future.

### **When?**

Letters of nomination will be accepted **April 1** through **April 30, 2010**, or as determined by your local District Superintendent's Office (DSO).

### **How?**

Nominate a great teacher by writing a letter (**no more than one type-written page**) to the principal of the teacher's school. Please include the following:

- Name of the teacher you are nominating, with name and address of school.
- Your relationship to the teacher (peer, parent, etc.).
- Why this teacher deserves to be nominated.
- Your name, address, duty station, and phone number.

## **Criteria?**

A DoDEA Teacher of the Year **must:**

- Be a full-time, U.S. certified teacher in a DoDEA school.
- NOT have been selected as a Teacher of the Year during the previous 3 years.
- Have completed three years of successful teaching in DoDEA.
- Have no evidence of management-directed discipline or unprofessional conduct documented in his/her personnel records