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MEMORANDUM

TO: District Superintendents

FROM: Raquel Rose
Assistant Superintendent

SUBJECT: 2017 California Teachers of the Year Program

Attached is the Nomination Interest Form for the 2017 California Teacher of the Year Program. The California Department of Education (CDE) will again recognize five exemplary California teachers for 2017.

We have many outstanding teachers in Marin County and we need your help in identifying and recognizing them for this honor. This year, our Marin County nominee is Karrie Coulter, 3rd grade teacher at Short Elementary School with the San Rafael City Schools.

Nomination packets must be received by the Marin County Office of Education no later than **Friday, May 6, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.** The packet consists of the Nomination Interest Form, a one-page essay, and two current letters of support. The candidate selected to represent Marin will be asked to complete additional information and a formal application to be submitted to the CDE in August 2016. The Marin County Office of Education will provide support and guidance through this application process.

Please see the attached list of districts eligible to nominate candidates for the 2017 Teacher of the Year award. Each of these school districts may submit one candidate to our office for consideration. You may use any internal process to determine your district candidate. Marin County can forward only one name to the state selection committee for consideration. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call 415-499-5891.

Enclosures: Teacher of the Year Cycle Assignments
Teacher of the Year Short Nomination Interest Form

Cycle Assignments for Teacher of the Year Nominations

Cycle A is eligible to nominate 2017 Teacher of the Year candidates.

| Cycle A | Cycle B |
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| Bolinas-Stinson Union School District Dixie School District Laguna Joint School District Lincoln School District Marin County Office of Education Novato Unified School District* Reed Union School District Ross Valley School District San Rafael Elementary School* District* San Rafael High School District* Sausalito – Marin City School District Tamalpais Union High School District* Union Joint School District | Kentfield School District Lagunitas School District Larkspur-Corte Madera School District Mill Valley School District Nicasio School District Novato Unified School District* Ross School District San Rafael Elementary School District* San Rafael High School District* Shoreline Unified School District Tamalpais Union High School District* |

*District eligible to nominate annually based on size.

2017
TEACHER OF THE YEAR
Nomination Interest Form

Mr. Ms. Mrs. Dr.

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| Applicant's Name | |
| Home Address | Home City and Zip Code |
| Home Phone | Mobile Phone |
| Home Email Address | Work Email Address |
| Current District | Current School |
| Subject Area(s) Currently Teaching | Grade Level(s) Currently Teaching |
| Total Years in Teaching | Years in Current Position |
| Credential(s) | Degree(s) |
| Superintendent's Signature | Date |

In addition to this form, please submit:

- A one-page, single-spaced (12 point font) essay that includes the following information:
 - A brief description of your experience in your district.
 - How you have demonstrated educational leadership in your school and/or district.
 - What you have done to increase student achievement in your classroom and/or school.
 - How you contribute to the success of your grade level, department, and/or school.
- A current letter of support from your principal.
- A current letter of support from your superintendent.

Send this form by May 6, 2016 to:

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