

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
**EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD**

The School Committee will recognize one (1) educator per school year for his/her contributions to the Oxford Public Schools. Nominations will be made by the Building Administrators and the finalist/winner will be determined by vote of the School Committee.

**CRITERIA**

The following criteria should be considered when nominating a teacher for this recognition:

Classroom Instruction: A teacher who inspires all students to learn; does not stick to the textbook or traditional methods of teaching; finds creative ways to make the material accessible to their students; stays up-to-date with best practices and applying for grants to help enhance instruction; provides parents with resources to continue the learning process at home; and makes time outside of class to tutor students.

Student Interaction: A teacher who has the respect and admiration of their students; serves as a role model for their students; always has the best interests of their students in mind; gains respect by treating students fairly, setting high expectations, and being consistent with discipline; goes beyond interacting with students on an instructional level and works to make sure their physical and emotional needs are met.

Professional Behavior: A teacher who has a positive relationship with colleagues and has earned their respect; regularly collaborates with other teachers and school staff; takes on positions of leadership within a school, such as leading professional development sessions, heading committees, or serving as a department chair; takes an interest in educational issues and policies; keeps up with the latest news, conducting research, and serving as an ambassador for teachers.

Other Considerations: A teacher who is well-known in the community and has earned the admiration and respect of parents and community members; work to make the community a better place for their students; teach their students to have a positive impact on the community; and involved in local events and regularly interact with education stakeholders in the community.

**NOMINATIONS**

Each of the five (5) Building Administrators shall submit his/her nomination by email to the Superintendent of Schools by no later than April 15<sup>th</sup> of each school year. The nomination should include the teacher's name along with a brief description of what they have done in the school and/or community and why you believe they are deserving of this recognition.

The following are the 2018-19 School Committee Meeting dates when the topic will be discussed.

<b>April 22, 2019</b>	<b>School Committee Announces five (5) Nominees</b>
<b>May 13, 2019</b>	<b>School Committee Votes Recipient of 2018/2019 Award</b>
<b>June 10, 2019</b>	<b>Recipient is Recognized at School Committee Meeting</b>