



Golden Teacher Recognition Awards

Nominations due by April 10, 2015

Do you know a special teacher who demonstrates a contagious enthusiasm for teaching and learning? Or who regularly inspires all students to take on new challenges and to recognize and reach their full potential? A teacher who thinks outside the box and advances new approaches to teaching and learning?

Golden Schools Foundation is holding the 4th annual Golden Teacher Recognition Awards to reward and encourage excellence in teaching at our eight local neighborhood schools. These Golden schools include Mitchell, Kyffin, Pleasant View, Shelton, Ralston, and Welchester Elementary, Bell Middle, and Golden High School.

This year two winning teachers will be awarded \$1,000 each, a recognition plaque and recognition at their school, in local press/newspapers, and among the Golden community. Winning teachers can also join us for a ride in the Buffalo Bill Days parade in July 2015.

Award Criteria

The teacher demonstrates:

- 1) Innovative and effective teaching methods that demonstrate clear academic results for students; please describe these results by providing a detailed example(s).
- 2) Commitment to their students; please explain how the teacher goes above and beyond official job requirements.
- 3) The ability to work collaboratively with colleagues to create a positive school environment; please illustrate the teacher's collaboration with peers through one or more examples.

Please address these three criteria above. Please also include one or more specific examples (provide details, data, and/or outcomes/results) for each of the three criteria.

Who Can Nominate

Parents, Principals, Students, other Teachers or School Staff Members can nominate a Teacher.

How to Nominate

Write a short essay describing the teacher that you wish to nominate and how you feel that they meet the three criteria above (with specific examples). Essays should be between 200-800 words. Please also write your name, the name of your school, and your position in the school (students please write your grade and current teacher's name).

Please send your entries via email by April 10, 2015 to pamwaltz@icloud.com or by mail to: Pam Waltz, Golden Schools Foundation Board Member – 300 Cliff Line Rd, Golden, CO 80403

Winners will be announced on the week of May 4, 2015 (Teacher's Appreciation Week).