



New Milford Public Schools  
50 East Street  
New Milford, Connecticut 06776

**TO:** Staff Members, Parents and Students  
**FROM:** Teacher of the Year Committee  
**DATE:** May 1, 2017  
**RE:** **TEACHER OF THE YEAR PROGRAM**

New Milford will be participating in Connecticut's "Teacher of the Year" program again in 2017-2018, with our local nominee to be announced this August. You are invited to nominate teachers from our faculty for this honor by responding to the questions below and returning this form to the Superintendent's office or any school no later than **May 31, 2017**. The completed form can also be sent electronically if you prefer to [suptoffice@newmilfordps.org](mailto:suptoffice@newmilfordps.org). Only signed nominations will be accepted. Thank you for your attention.

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**NOMINATION FOR NEW MILFORD "TEACHER OF THE YEAR" FOR 2017-2018**

**Name of Nominee**

**School**

The nominee should be a teacher from the faculty of the New Milford Public Schools, have taught in this district for five or more years, and have demonstrated continued excellence of performance during his/her tenure. The Selection Committee has developed the following guidelines, which relate to the criteria established by the State Department of Education for the Connecticut Teacher of the Year Program, for considering nominations for Teacher of the Year:

- Demonstrated ability to inspire enthusiasm and motivation for learning in students.
- Demonstrated use of effective teaching techniques, flexibility of style, innovation, and creativity.
- Caring relationships with students.
- Demonstrated commitment to continuing professional growth and development.
- Respect and admiration of students, colleagues, parents, and administration.
- Personal philosophy and goals.
- Ability to articulate ideas clearly.
- Community involvement.

**Please answer the following questions when making your nomination. It is helpful if you will take the time to be specific and complete in your answers. The more details you provide the more evidence the Committee has to make its selection. You may attach additional information to this form if you wish.**

**1. In what ways has the nominee demonstrated an unusual level of talent and accomplishment as a teacher in the classroom?**

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**2. Briefly describe in what ways you believe the nominee contributes to the improvement of the teaching profession.**

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**3. In what ways has the nominee contributed to the life of his/her community outside of teaching?**

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**4. Additional comments:**

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**Submitted by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Signature required)

**I am a:**      **staff member** \_\_\_\_\_      **parent** \_\_\_\_\_      **student** \_\_\_\_\_