Do you know a teacher who is dedicated, inspiring, and making a difference?

The classroom teacher is the backbone of the American educational system. No one person has a greater impact on the education of a child than does the teacher who creates the primary learning and instructional environment.

Nominate a teacher for the Lennox School District Teacher of the Year Award.

To nominate a teacher for the Lennox School District Teacher of the Year Award, simply complete this form and send it to **Lennox School District, Attn: Chelsey McManaman, PO Box 38, Lennox SD 57039 by January 13, 2023.**

Nominee's Name: _____

Nominee's School: _____

Grade(s) Taught: _____ **Subject(s) Taught:** _____

Please explain **why you** feel the educator you are nominating should be the District Teacher of the Year, citing specific examples. Some things to consider: the teacher's methods for meeting student needs, desire for professional growth, community involvement, dedication to the teaching profession, and rapport with students, parents and staff. Please Note:

A District TOY candidate who wishes to be considered for Region and State Teacher of the Year **must**: be a fully certified teacher; be employed by a South Dakota accredited school district - pre-kindergarten through grade twelve; have at least 3 full years of teaching experience; be planning to continue in an active teaching status (supervisory and administrative responsibilities are secondary considerations) for at least 2 more years; For more information on the Teacher of the Year Program visit, http://doe.sd.gov/oatq/teacheroftheyear.aspx.

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The Lennox School District Teacher of the Year becomes eligible to apply for the Regional Teacher of the Year Award, and possibly for the South Dakota and/or the National Teacher of the Year Award.

Nominator Signature: _____ **Printed Name:** _____

Please note: National Teacher of the Year requires the selected Teacher to be teaching in the classroom at least 4 hours a day, for two years after being selected.