Teacher of the Year

Selection Process

Students, parents, colleagues, administrators or members of the general public may nominate teachers for the Teacher of the Year recognition. A selection committee made up of administrators and instructional facilitators will narrow the nominations down to three finalists. The three finalists will be notified and required to complete the written application. Finalists will be evaluated with a prepared scoring rubric (TESS Observations) by administration and then final selection will be made by a team of educators not employed by the Star City School District. Recognition for the Teacher of the Year will occur at the end of year Awards Assembly at the respective campus. The SCSD Teacher of the Year will be submitted to the Arkansas Department of Education Teacher of the Year.

Eligibility Requirements for Nominees

- Candidates must be skillful and dedicated certified teachers in grades pre-kindergarten through grade 12 who is planning to continue in an active teaching role in the SCSD
- The candidate must be engaged in student contact for more than seventy percent (70%) of the person’s contracted time
- Candidates meets the 95% attendance rate for sick days and has not received a payroll deduction for the school year
- Demonstrate high expectations for all students
- Have a superior ability to inspire students of all ability levels and backgrounds
- Be poised and articulate
- Play an active role in the community as well as in the school
- Knowledge of subject and curriculum content, student growth and development, and instruction and assessment
- Have a strong sense of values, integrity, and professional ethics

Nomination Process

Students, parents, colleagues, administrators, or members of the general public/community may nominate teachers by going to our school website and filling out the Google Form. The deadline for nominations is April 1st. The form may be found at www.starcityschools.org or use the following link: TOY Nomination

Timeline:
September - April 1st - Nominations
April 1 - April 15 - Nominees shall complete the ARTOY application for SCSD.
April 15 - May 15 - Selection committees determine the finalist
May 15 - June 1 - Finalist will complete and submit all ARTOY application materials