

**Nomination Form
Chamber of Commerce Excellence In Teaching
R-7 Teacher of the Year Program
Lee's Summit R-7 School District**

*Nominated teachers must
have worked for 5 years or
more in the R-7 School District.
To see if a teacher you would like to
nominate has five years, call
986-1017.*

Note: Information about the recognition programs and the selection process is printed on the back of this form. **PLEASE type or use black ink.** You may reproduce this form on a computer (or send in your own statements about a teacher), but **comments must be limited to one page total** for copying purposes and to lower postage costs when mailing packets to the selection committee.

If a second page is received, it will be omitted. Thank you for your help!

Nomination Deadline: Friday, February 3, 2012

NAME OF NOMINEE _____

SCHOOL AND POSITION _____

Describe how the nominee's outstanding qualities (such as attitude, initiative and creativity) benefit students (provide specific examples):

Identify the job-related strengths and skills this nominee brings to education and how those set him/her apart from his/her peers:

Share other special activities or accomplishments (civic and/or professional) of the nominee:

Additional Comments:

SUBMITTED BY (Your signature): _____

(Nomination will be sent to candidate after competition)

I am a ___ student, ___ parent, ___ co-worker/supervisor, ___ district patron.

LEE'S SUMMIT R-7 STAFF, PARENTS, PATRONS AND STUDENTS:

When you hear the phrase "outstanding teacher," who comes to mind? Consider nominating that individual for the CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING/R-7 TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD! You may nominate your favorite Lee's Summit R-7 teacher, library media specialist or guidance counselor by filling out this form.

The Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce and R-7 School District collaborate to recognize educational excellence. The Chamber of Commerce sponsors 12 annual Excellence In Teaching Award Recipients, and the R-7 School District sponsors the Teacher of the Year program.

To nominate a teacher, library media specialist or guidance counselor, simply complete the nomination form on the reverse side of this sheet and return by **Friday, February 3, 2012**, to:

**Partners In Education
R-7 School District, 301 NE Tudor Road, Lee's Summit, MO 64086**

Note: Nominees must have worked for five years or more in the R-7 School District. If you would like to nominate a teacher and aren't sure how long the teacher has worked here, please call Jennifer Ostaszewski in the Partners In Education office at 986-1017.

ABOUT THE EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING/TEACHER OF THE YEAR PROGRAM:

This program is designed to focus on the role of the teacher and the overall dedication to service and excellence in the profession. Twelve teachers/counselors/library media specialists will be recognized by the Chamber of Commerce with the Excellence In Teaching Award. Those among the 12 who are full-time classroom teachers will also be finalists in the R-7 Teacher of the Year program. The Teacher of the Year is recognized as a representative of all outstanding teachers in the district. Our Teacher of the Year will compete in the Missouri Teacher of the Year program, sponsored by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, in conjunction with the National Teacher of the Year program.

All R-7 teachers, guidance counselors and library media specialists are eligible for the program *after they have worked for five years* with the Lee's Summit R-7 School District. Administrators or other supervisory personnel are NOT eligible. *(Due to Missouri Teacher of the Year guidelines, part-time teachers, guidance counselors and library media specialists are eligible only for the Excellence In Teaching Award. They will **not** be considered for the Teacher of the Year Award since the state program is restricted to full-time classroom teachers only. However, if you know a terrific part-time teacher, counselor or librarian, please do nominate him/her for the Excellence In Teaching Award!)* Former Excellence In Teaching teacher winners may also be nominated and will have the opportunity to interview for Teacher of the Year, although they will not be considered for the Excellence In Teaching Award again.

Nominees should be career teachers, librarians or counselors who, by their skill and dedication, have earned the admiration and respect of students, parents and colleagues.

THE SELECTION PROCESS:

A committee composed of staff, administrators and representatives from the Chamber and community will review the nomination forms, along with resume information provided by the nominees. They will select 12 Excellence In Teaching recipients. The Excellence In Teaching recipients will be recognized at a reception in the spring hosted by the Chamber of Commerce and the R-7 School District. The Teacher of the Year finalists will also appear before the committee for a personal interview prior to naming the R-7 Teacher of the Year.

Thank you for taking time to recognize a special teacher in this way!