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Nominations open for 2021 Minnesota Teacher of the Year

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ST. PAUL, Minnesota, Oct. 1, 2020 – Everyone remembers a favorite teacher, someone who motivates and inspires students for a lifetime. Minnesotans have the opportunity again this fall to nominate that unique educator for [Minnesota Teacher of the Year](#).



Nominations open today and can be [submitted online](#) through Nov. 15. The 2021 Teacher of the Year will be named at a ceremony May 2, 2021, at Saint Paul RiverCentre. The Minnesota Teacher of the Year also becomes Minnesota's candidate for National Teacher of the Year.

Eligible nominees must meet these criteria:

1. Teach in a public or nonpublic pre-kindergarten–12th grade school, or in an Adult Basic Education or ECFE program, working at least 50 percent of the time directly with students.
2. Hold a bachelor's degree and a Minnesota teaching license.
3. Have completed five years of teaching by the nomination deadline.
4. Intend to teach during the 2021-22 school year.

Anyone may nominate a teacher. Self-nominations are also accepted.

The state program has been highly successful nationally – Minnesota ranks second behind California with four National Teachers of the Year.

For more information or to receive a nomination form, contact Ashley Behrens at ashley.behrens@edmn.org.

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