Maine Teacher of the Year Program

Talking Points

- ➤ The Maine Teacher of the Year program is part of The National Teacher of the Year Program, which is the most prestigious teacher recognition program in the country.
- Maine's Teacher of the Year Program recognizes 16 County Teachers of the Year and one Maine Teacher of the Year, each year.
- Each of the Teachers of the Year (both County and State) serve as an exemplar of the teaching profession. They are provided with numerous opportunities that enable them to advocate for their students, their communities, and topics in education that are important to them.
 - ❖ Maine Teacher of the Year Program elevates the voices of teachers through leadership and collaborative opportunities.
 - ❖ Maine Teacher of the Year Program provides teachers with a network of educators that support one another through professional learning and grassroots efforts that improve education in Maine.
- > Teachers of the Year and County Teachers of the Year are committed to excellence and nurture the achievements of all students. Their exemplary skills inspire students and colleagues, and they help focus attention on the importance of public schools among everyone in the community.

Nominations:

- Nominations will be accepted from January 1, 2022 to February 4, 2022 at 5:00 pm.
- Nominations are accepted from students, parents, caregivers, community members, school administrators, colleagues, college faculty members, and associations/organizations.
- Eligibility Criteria: www.mainetoy.org/nominate

Helpful links:

- Maine Teacher of the Year website: www.mainetoy.org.
- ➤ Maine Teacher of the Year on <u>Facebook @MaineTOY</u> | <u>Twitter @MAINETOY</u> | <u>Instagram</u> @maineteacheroftheyear.
- Maine Teacher of the Year Nomination form.

