

PRESTON AND ANN LEAKE TEACHER RECOGNITION AWARD

Nomination Guidelines

BACKGROUND and PURPOSE:

Preston and Ann Leake established the Teacher Recognition Award in December 2007. The purpose of the award is to annually recognize outstanding educators teaching in Hopewell City Public Schools for their outstanding efforts in meeting the needs of their students. The award is administered by the John Randolph Foundation.

POLICY:

The award is available to any educator possessing a current, five-year, Virginia teaching license that teaches in the Hopewell City Public Schools. A letter verifying the nominee's employment and licensure must be received from Hopewell City Public Schools. Teachers holding provisional licenses are not eligible to participate in the program. The annual award is made without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability. John Randolph Foundation trustees, employees and their immediate families (parents, spouses, and siblings) are not eligible for the award.

NOMINATION PROCEDURE:

Fellow teachers, students, students' parents/guardians, and residents of Hopewell may nominate teachers deserving to receive the Preston and Ann Leake Teacher Recognition Award. Nomination forms are available at any Hopewell City Public School, Hopewell City Public School Board Office and the John Randolph Foundation Office.

Nominees should be dedicated, knowledgeable and skilled educators certified to teach any or all levels (pre-kindergarten through grade 12). Nominations must include:

- 1) Specific traits of the nominee that show that they are deserving of the award.
- 2) Examples of the ways that the nominee has assisted his/her students.
- 3) Provide two letters of recommendation:
 - A letter from a community member that explains why the nominee should receive the award.
 - A letter from a fellow teacher that explains why the nominee should receive the award.

Nomination forms are due in the John Randolph Foundation Office by 4:00 p.m. on April 30. If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or a legal holiday, then it is due the next business day by 4:00 p.m.

Nominations must be completed online.

Direct any questions to the foundation office at the above address or call 804-458-2239.

FAILURE TO PROVIDE ANY OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION OR DOCUMENTATION BY THE DEADLINE WILL DISQUALIFY AN APPLICANT FROM CONSIDERATION FOR THE PRESTON AND ANN LEAKE TEACHER RECOGNITION AWARD. THE JOHN RANDOLPH FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO INTERVIEW APPLICANTS IN THE FINAL STAGES OF SELECTION.

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