FACT SHEET FOR THE 2014 NEVADA TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD

The self-nomination process is open to any licensed teacher currently teaching in a classroom from kindergarten through grade twelve and working full-time at an accredited school.

This state program is affiliated with the National Teacher of the Year program, the oldest and most prestigious awards program designed to focus public attention on excellence in teaching. The program mission is to select outstanding classroom teachers who are also able to speak for, motivate, and exemplify the contributions of all teachers.

Candidates should be skillful, dedicated teachers who plan to actively continue classroom teaching. They should take an active role in their community, as well as in their school, and demonstrate professional poise and speak articulately. One of the most important criterions in evaluating nominees is their innovation and ability to inspire a love of learning in students of all backgrounds and abilities.

When completing your application please observe the following:

- Please provide **all** information requested in the application form.
- Signatures of the candidate, the candidate's principal, and the candidate's district superintendent (chief school administrator) **must be provided**.
- Please limit your answers to the number of pages requested in each section – ***type size no smaller than 10 point.*** In order to provide all applicants with an equal opportunity **only the number of pages requested will be accepted.** *Any additional pages and/or materials submitted will NOT be presented to the National Selection Committee.*
- Each application must include **one photograph**, either hard copy or electronic, suitable for publicity purposes (5" x 7" color, head shot preferred).
- **Section I** (pages 1-2) **must be submitted on the form provided.** Sections II-VIII may be produced using your word processing system but please adhere to the format established in the application. **Number the sections and the pages.** However it is accomplished, what should result is a clean, clear copy suitable for easy black and white copying and placement in a **three-ring binder** with the other state applications.
- The entire application package must be submitted to the State Teacher of the Year Coordinator by **October 01, 2013.**

The application is available at: http://www.doe.nv.gov/Resources_Teacher_Of_The_Year_Program/

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED AT THE ADDRESS LISTED BELOW NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 01, 2013

Please post or hand-deliver your application to:

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