

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS:

2024 Edna V. Folger Outstanding Teacher Award

SIHO Insurance Services, the IUPUC Center for Teaching and Learning, and the Community Education Coalition are accepting nominations for the 2024 Edna V. Folger Outstanding Teacher Award. The award will be presented at the 2024 Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting.

What is the Edna V. Folger Outstanding Teacher Award?

Edna Folger set the early standard for teachers. In her honor, the award was designed to raise awareness about the immeasurable influence teachers have on their students and to recognize the image of teachers as important community role models. Established by Arvin Industries and now sponsored by SIHO Insurance Services, the award includes a monetary stipend, an individual award from the IUPUC Center for Teaching and Learning, and the recipient's name will be added to a permanent plaque located in the Columbus Learning Center.

Who is eligible to receive the award?

Any full-time elementary or secondary school teacher or educator working at a public, private, or parochial school in Bartholomew County is eligible to receive the award. Classroom, special education, or special subject teachers; certified educators; counselors; and administrators are all eligible.

How do I nominate a teacher?

Any individual or group may nominate a classroom teacher or educator to receive this award. Nominations should include biographical information, reasons for nomination, letters of recommendation, and support materials. Nomination instructions are available from the IUPUC Center for Teaching and Learning, the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation Administrative Offices, and in the main office of schools throughout Bartholomew County. Nomination forms may also be downloaded at www.iupuc.edu/ctl/folger-award.

The deadline for nominations is 4 p.m. on Friday, January 19, 2024.

Edna V. Folger Outstanding Teacher Award Recipients			
1983	Shirley Lyster, Columbus North High School	2004	Libby Arthur, Columbus North High School
1984	Marie Moore, Schmitt Elementary School	2005	Jack P. Young, Columbus East High School
1985	Delores Strietelmeier, St. Peter's Lutheran School	2006	Donna Nicholson, St. Bartholomew Catholic School
1986	Joseph F. Dutton, Columbus East High School	2007	Denise Briner-Richardson, Columbus North High School
1987	Rachel Stoner, Columbus East High School	2008	Linda Coggin, Lincoln Elementary School
1988	Mary Ann Heise, Columbus North High School	2009	Lynn Sparks, Columbus Signature Academy-Lincoln
1989	Candace Taff Carr, Richards Elementary School	2010	Kim Green, Columbus North High School
1990	Karen Lion, Northside Middle School	2011	Janeen Blumenberg, Hauser Jr.-Sr. High School
1991	James Zeiger, Smith Elementary School	2012	Mary Knight, Parkside Elementary School
1992	Eugene Foldenauer, Columbus North High School	2013	Milly Harden, Richards Elementary School
1993	James L. Nay, Columbus East High School	2014	Kathryn Strickland, Southside Elementary School
1994	Margaret Bottorff, Clifty Creek Elementary School	2015	Tammie LeClerc, Northside Middle School
1995	Barbara Johnson, Hope Elementary School	2016	Mike Riley, C4 Columbus Area Career Connection
1996	Janice Montgomery, Southside Elementary School	2017	Kristen Chitty, Columbus Signature Academy - Fodrea
1997	Norma Flodder, McDowell Adult Education Center	2018	Michelle Burnett, Columbus East High School
1998	Wanda Siebert, Hauser Jr.-Sr. High School	2019	Karen Nading, Columbus East High School & C4
1999	Connie Yeaton, Clifty Creek Elementary School	2020	Lori Cash, Columbus Signature Academy-Lincoln
2000	Don Schmidt, Jefferson Education Center	2021	Peggy Myers, Columbus East High School
2001	Greg Lewis, Columbus East High School	2022	Jennifer Ryshavy, Taylorsville Elementary School
2002	Victor Fields, Columbus East High School	2023	Angela Ginder, Rockcreek Elementary School
2003	Chuck Grimes, Southside Elementary School	2024	

Where can I obtain more information?

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