

Nomination Process for Connecticut PTA's Outstanding Educator Awards 2026

Nominations Are Now Being Accepted!

Welcome to the nomination process for the **2026 Outstanding Educator Awards!**

It's time to highlight and celebrate the exceptional educators who truly demonstrate the power and importance of parent involvement.

There are **many categories** available — making it easy to recognize the remarkable individuals who make a difference every day.

Does your PTA or SEPTA have an educator who goes above and beyond?
If yes — it's time to nominate!

Each candidate is judged on the following criteria:

- **Leadership for Learning**—creativity in successfully meeting the needs of students in his or her school system.
- **Communication**—strength in both personal and professional communication.
- **Community Involvement**—active participation in local community activates and an understanding of regional and national issues.
- **Professionalism**— constant improvement of administrative knowledge and skills while providing professional development opportunities and motivation to others on the education team.

Eligibility for all nominees:

- All Candidates must be a paid PTA Member.
- All Candidates must be from a "PTA" School in good standing.

Applications must include the following:

- Letter of nomination explaining how candidate meets the judging criteria (above)
- Teacher, parent, and community recommendations

Cover Page which includes the following:

- Name of Person being nominated
- Title of Nominee
- Nominees are paid PTA members of what PTA
- Name of PTA President, Phone number and Email address

Please provide the following to CT PTA for all nominations submitted:

- **Completed Cover Page** (form provided)
- **Letter of Nomination** explaining how the candidate meets the judging criteria (template provided)
- **Recommendation Letters** from parents, community members, staff, etc. (collected by the PTA). There is **no limit** on the number of recommendations that may be submitted.

- **For Volunteer of the Year nominations:**
 - Please include a detailed explanation of why this individual is being nominated, including **specific examples of their volunteerism and impact**.

SUBMIT NOMINATIONS BY FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2026
by Mail or Email

**CT PTA
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SUITE F
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Email: Office@ctpta.org

2026 CELEBRATION OF WINNERS
CT PTA Celebrates all 2026 Outstanding Educators on
Sunday, May 3, 2026
La Bella Vista, 380 Farmwood Road Waterbury, 06704

(TICKETED EVENT) Registration forms will be sent after winners are announced!

COVER PAGE FOR NOMINATIONS-OUTSTANDING EDUCATORS 2026

Nominee_____

Title of Nominee_____

School Affiliation_____

Nominee is a paid PTA member of what PTA? _____

Name of PTA President _____

Person Submitting nomination_____

PTA Position_____

Email: _____

Phone Number_____

Paid PTA Member of the following PTA_____

Notes in any for CT PTA: