

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**SHIRLEY J. LOWRIE**  
**“THANK YOU FOR TEACHING” AWARD**

**AWARD OVERVIEW**

The Shirley J. Lowrie “Thank You for Teaching” Award honors extraordinary elementary school teachers who have a deep dedication to the teaching profession. These elementary school teachers, pre-kindergarten through Grade 5, must work directly with students in the classroom on a daily basis, demonstrate a thorough knowledge of the subject matter, and effectively communicate that subject matter to students. The nominee should be a full-time teacher who goes the extra mile to ensure that students receive the support they need to succeed.

**ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST**

**The nominee:**

- Is a current full-time pre-kindergarten to Grade 5 teacher in MCPS
- Is not a previous recipient of this award (*previous nominees who did not win may be re-nominated*)

**NOMINATION CHECKLIST**

- Nomination Packet Cover Sheet
- Professional Biography
- Letters of Support

**QUESTIONS**

Contact Casey Crouse at [Casey B Crouse@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Casey_B_Crouse@mcpsmd.org) or via phone at 240-740-7012 with questions about this award.

## NOMINATION DETAILS

The nomination package must include the following materials.

### **Nomination Cover Sheet**

The cover sheet template is included in this document. The nomination cover sheet must be completed in full and include all designated signatures.

### **Professional Biography**

A 200-word biography written to highlight the nominee's professional accomplishments.

### **Statements of Support**

A maximum of three (3) statements of support detailing why this teacher should be the Shirley J. Lowrie "Thank You for Teaching" award recipient. The statements of support should highlight the teacher's impact on students and include compelling information that showcases the teacher's excellent qualities. Statements of support can be written by individual staff members, students, or community members. One letter of support must be from the current principal.

## NOMINATION SUBMISSION

### **Nomination Deadline**

All nomination packets must be received **by midnight, Friday, December 16, 2022**. Only complete packets will be considered. Nomination packets received after the deadline will not be considered.

### **How to Submit**

Nomination packets must be emailed to Maria Lopez-Silvero, in the Office of Human Resources and Development, at [Maria.L.Lopez-Silvero@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Maria.L.Lopez-Silvero@mcpsmd.org) with the subject line: Shirley J. Lowrie Award.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Nominations may be submitted by staff, students, former students, parents, administrators, or the general public. Teachers may not nominate themselves. Nominees may be asked to contribute to the development of the nomination packet. Nominators should work with school and community members to create a strong application package.

A committee of MCPS administrators will review all nominations and recommend award winners.

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**NOMINATION PACKET COVER SHEET**

**Nominee’s Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Employee ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Years of Teaching Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

Years of Teaching Experience at Current School: \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee’s School Information**

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominator’s Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position or Role: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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Nominator’s Signature

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Principal’s Signature