

# Marian Greenblatt Education Fund



## Nomination Checklist and Guidelines for Excellence in Teaching Awards

Nominations are being accepted for the Master and Rising-Star Excellence in Teaching Awards through January 9, 2015. The Marian Greenblatt Education Fund will award three Master winners a \$1,000 cash prize each and one Rising-Star winner \$500. In addition, if the PTA of the winning teacher’s school is active in the nomination process, it will receive \$100 for school supplies, equipment, or enrichment programs.

### Nominee Information:

Nominee’s Name:			
School Name:			
Grade(s) Taught:			
Subject:			
Award Category (check one)	Master	Rising Star	
Email:			
Telephone:			

### Nominator's Information:

Nominator's Name:				
Role (check one)	Principal	Colleague	Parent	PTA Rep
Email:				
Telephone:				

### CHECKLIST/REQUIREMENTS

- \_\_\_ Nominee is currently a full-time teacher in Montgomery County Public Schools,
- \_\_\_ **Minimum** experience for Master Award is 5 years of teaching in MCPS.
- \_\_\_ **Maximum** experience for Rising-Star Award is 4 years of full-time teaching.
- \_\_\_ Resume of Nominee
- \_\_\_ Letter of Nomination from Principal
- \_\_\_ Letter of Support from Resource Person or Fellow Teacher
- \_\_\_ Letter of Support from Parent is helpful. We accept letters in any language.
- \_\_\_ Supporting evidence from outside authorities in the form of test results and/or letters of commendation from MCPS officials, if available.

## **NOMINATION GUIDELINES**

1. The nomination packet should be a maximum of 9 pages, single-sided, including the coversheet, for Master teachers; five pages for Rising Stars. Fewer pages are ok.
2. Nominations must be delivered by 5 pm, Friday, January 9, 2015 by email (PDF preferred) to [info@greenblatteducationfund.org](mailto:info@greenblatteducationfund.org) or to the Marian Greenblatt Education Fund, 11308 Tara Road, Potomac, MD 20854.
3. Do not send videotapes, loose-leaf binders, artwork, or letters of support from current students.

## **JUDGING CRITERIA, SUPPORTING EVIDENCE & LETTERS**

Applicants will be judged using the three broad categories below. Supporting evidence, in the form of letters from colleagues and parents to show these three criteria apply to the nominee, will be very helpful.

The criteria are as follows:

### **Student Focus & Results**

- The students demonstrate positive academic results compared to peers and benchmarks.
- The teacher motivates students to excel, with innovative instruction methods.

### **Commitment to MCPS**

- The teacher contributes to the Montgomery County Public School system through sharing teaching practices, displaying leadership outside of their own school, and (for Master teachers) acting as a mentor for young colleagues.

### **Links to School and Community**

- The teacher is active in professional organizations and school activities, as well as the larger community.