

## Oradell Public School District

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Our children, our hope, our future

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## Dear OPS Community Members:

This year, the Oradell Public School District will participate, along with districts across the state, in the New Jersey Department of Education 2020-2021 Governor's Educator of the Year program. To begin the process, we will conduct our own recognition program in order to recognize and honor an outstanding OPS educator. During the previous three years, we have recognized Ms. Pizza, Ms. Cataldo and Ms. Schaum.

The educator will be selected from those nominated by parents, students, and staff members. A panel comprised of administrators, staff members, and parents will make the selection from among this year's nominees. The Oradell Board of Education will formally recognize the recipient at a meeting in the spring.

You are invited to nominate an OPS educator (i.e., General Education, Special Education, ESL, BSI/TAG, Special Area, etc.) for this year's award. The educator should:

- Have completed four years as an educator at Oradell Public School;
- Inspire students of all backgrounds and abilities to learn;
- Develop feelings of self-worth and love of learning in students;
- Serve as an exceptionally skilled and dedicated educator;
- Play an active role in the school community;
- Have the respect and admiration of students, parents, administrators, and colleagues.

All nominees will receive a letter stating that they were nominated, but the nomination forms will be kept confidential. A nomination form can be found on the front page of the Oradell Public School website. If you wish to submit a nomination, it can either be sent electronically to <a href="EducatorOfTheYear@oradellschool.org">EducatorOfTheYear@oradellschool.org</a> or in paper form to the Main Office no later than Monday, November 30, 2020, by 9:00 a.m. Please return all forms in a sealed envelope labeled "OPS Educator of the Year – Nomination." Thank you in advance for joining with us to recognize and celebrate the amazing educators that make a difference for our children each and every day.

Sincerely,