



ALBERTA  
SCHOOL BOARDS  
ASSOCIATION

**EDWIN PARR  
TEACHER AWARDS**

**2022 AWARDS PACKAGE**

# AWARD INFORMATION

## Overview

Alberta School Boards Association's (ASBA) Edwin Parr Teacher Awards recognize excellent first year teachers across the province.

## History

Edwin Parr served as President of the Alberta School Trustees' Association (now ASBA) from 1956 to 1962. His long career in educational affairs included terms as a member of the board with the George Lake School District and as Board Chair of the Athabasca School Division. Parr also served on the council of the County of Athabasca from its formation in 1959 until his death in 1963.

During his time as a Board Chair, Edwin Parr instituted an annual teacher award in his school division to celebrate first-year teachers. To honour his memory and to honour the profession he respected, the Alberta School Trustees' Association established the Edwin Parr Teacher Award in 1964.

For almost 60 years, these awards have been presented to outstanding first-year teachers.

## Award parameters

The following candidates are eligible for consideration for the Edwin Parr Awards:

- First year Kindergarten to Grade 12 teachers if they meet the following criteria:
  - A minimum of 100 full-time equivalent days of teaching service within the current school year (i.e. September 2021 – June 2022) is required.
  - A teacher may have up to a maximum of 120 full-time equivalent days of teaching service prior to signing a contract.
  - A teacher must hold an Interim Professional Certificate or other valid Alberta teaching authority.
  - First year teaching experience must be completed in Alberta with a school board that is a member of ASBA.

## Nominations

Nominees may include:

- First year Kindergarten to Grade 12 teachers (if the above criteria is met)

Individuals may be nominated by:

- The initial identification and selection of the nominee will be made by the nominee's school board.\*
  - \*Each school board may only nominate one candidate for submission to their associated Zone Selection Committee.
- Each Zone Selection Committee will then select one nominee as the zone recipient of the award.\*\*
  - \*\*Zone 2/3 will select two recipients due to the amalgamation of zones 2 and 3.

No more than six Edwin Parr Teacher Awards shall be awarded annually.

## Recognition

Nominees are recognized at the zone level by their associated zone. Nominees are additionally recognized at a provincial level by ASBA at its Fall General Meeting (FGM).

Each recipient will receive a smart watch and framed certificate from ASBA. If applicable, ASBA will pay expenses for zone recipient attendance at the FGM awards ceremony.

# SUBMISSION & SELECTION

## Selection

The following criteria will be used to determine the zone recipient(s):

- School board evaluation;
- Final student teaching evaluation;
- And, interview with zone selection committee.

Additionally, the Teacher Quality Standards competencies will be used as part of the school board evaluation and integrated into the interview:

<b>TQS1: Fostering Effective Relationships</b>	A teacher builds positive and productive relationships with students, parents/guardians, peers and others in the school and local community to support student learning.
<b>TQS2: Engaging in Career-Long Learning</b>	A teacher engages in career-long professional learning and ongoing critical reflection to improve teaching and learning.
<b>TQS3: Demonstrating a Professional Body of Knowledge</b>	A teacher applies a current and comprehensive repertoire of effective planning, instruction and assessment practices to meet the learning needs of every student.
<b>TQS4: Establishing Inclusive Learning Environments</b>	A teacher establishes, promotes and sustains inclusive learning environments where diversity is embraced and every student is welcomed, cared for, respected and safe.
<b>TQS5: Applying Foundational Knowledge about First Nations, Métis and Inuit</b>	A teacher develops and applies foundational knowledge about First Nations, Métis and Inuit for the benefit of all students.
<b>TQS6: Adhering to Legal Frameworks and Policies</b>	A teacher demonstrates an understanding of and adherence to the legal frameworks and policies that provide the foundations for the Alberta education system.

# SUBMISSION & SELECTION

## Submission information

- Please retain an electronic record of the nomination information at the nominating board office for a period of one year.
- All information provided in the nomination package will be considered confidential and managed in accordance with Alberta's Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA).
- Confirmation of receipt of the nomination package will be provided within 72 hours. If confirmation is not received within that timeframe, please follow up by telephone.

Nominations must be received by [March 18, 2022, at 4:30 p.m.](#)

## Zone Chair contacts

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## Submission Checklist

- ATTACHMENT 1: Nomination form
- ATTACHMENT 2: School board evaluation (attach additional pages as required)
- ATTACHMENT 3: Nominee consent form
- The nominee's final student teaching evaluation (i.e. APT)
- Additional summary remarks from the nominee's school principal
- Current school staff photograph of nominee with head and shoulders, in high resolution
- electronic format (JPEG or PNG) for printed program (preferably professional quality)

All forms and evaluations must be completed and signed, and all elements noted above must be provided electronically. Please do not submit electronic productions of the teacher's work. Consideration of only the materials noted above will inform the zone selection process.

# ATTACHMENT 1: SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATION FORM

## Nominee Information

FULL NAME

HOME ADDRESS

CITY/TOWN

POSTAL CODE

PHONE NUMBER

ALTERNATE PHONE NUMBER

EMAIL ADDRESS

CONTACT  
PREFERENCE  
*(please select)*

POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION (degree earned including major/minor)

GRADUATING UNIVERSITY

## Nominator Information

SCHOOL BOARD NAME

ZONE  
*(please select)*

SCHOOL NAME

SCHOOL ADDRESS

SCHOOL CONTACT

SCHOOL CONTACT PHONE NUMBER

SCHOOL CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS

SCHOOL BOARD CONTACT WHO COMPLETED NOMINATION PACKAGE

SCHOOL BOARD CONTACT PHONE NUMBER

SCHOOL BOARD CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS NAME

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS SIGNATURE

DATE

# ATTACHMENT 2: SCHOOL BOARD EVALUATION

Please provide commentary and evidence relative to the nominee's performance in each of the following dimensions.

**A. Fostering effective relationships (TQS1)**

**B. Engaging in career-long learning (TQS2)**

**C. Demonstrating a professional body of knowledge (TQS3)**

**D. Establishing inclusive learning environments (TQS4)**

Please attach additional pages as required to ensure questions are answered in full.

# ATTACHMENT 2: SCHOOL BOARD EVALUATION

**E. Applying foundational knowledge about First Nations, Métis and Inuit (TQS5)**

**F. Adhering to procedures, frameworks, and policies (TQS6)**

**G. Involvement in extra-curricular and community activities**

**Please attach additional pages as required to ensure questions are answered in full.**

# ATTACHMENT 3: NOMINEE CONSENT FORM

I, \_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT NAME

Consent to my nomination for the ASBA Edwin Parr Teacher Award and authorize the release of any or all information pertaining to my employment for the purpose of this nomination. This includes the use of my photograph to assist the ASBA in developing media releases and/or award materials, printed and digital, including accessing and posting to the ASBA website.

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NOMINEE SIGNATURE

DATE

I hereby give consent to Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA), including its employees, Board of Directors or other third party ASBA may authorize on its behalf, to collect, use and disclose my name, likeness, voice, or other personal identifying information as specified below:

- Still photograph of me
- Video of me and my voice
- Audio recordings of me and my voice

I hereby waive all rights, including any economic and moral rights that I may have with respect to ASBA's collection, use or disclosure of my personal information. I further acknowledge and agree that there shall be no compensation provided to me by ASBA respecting my personal information for the above-described purposes.

I hereby release ASBA and its Board, elected officials, officers, employees, agents, representatives, successors and assigns, of and from any and all actions, causes of action, claims, expenses, demands for damages or loss, howsoever arising, that I may have had, may now have, or may hereafter have, against ASBA by reason of my consent to the collection, use and disclosure of my personal information as indicated herein.

I give consent for ASBA to review my academic records and relevant data as related to eligibility for this award for the sole purpose of determining award eligibility.

By signing this form I acknowledge that this constitutes a binding agreement and is the entire agreement between myself and ASBA.

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FIRST AND LAST NAME OF NOMINEE

DATE

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NOMINEE SIGNATURE





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