



The Nevada Department of Education (NDE) Office of Early Learning and Development (OELD) is pleased to launch the fourth year (school year 2023-2024) of our Early Childhood Educator of the Year Award. Early childhood teachers have one of the most important jobs in the world- providing quality education to our state's youngest learners and partnering with their families. Please use [this form](#) (or scan the QR code below) to nominate an early childhood teacher you know whose amazing work you'd like to recognize. Once your nomination is received and the nomination window closes, we will contact the teacher and invite them to apply to be considered for the Early Childhood Educator of the Year Award. Teachers, you are strongly encouraged to nominate yourself and celebrate all the hard work you are doing!

Scan this QR code to nominate an early educator through your phone at anytime:

Timeline:

April 28, 2024 Nominations due

May 1, 2024 Nominees will be notified of their nomination and invited to apply

June 2, 2024 Applications due

June 10-28, 2024 Application review period

July 11-23, 2024 Interviews

September Winners & finalists announced



WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Lead teachers of infant, toddler, and pre-K students in both general education and special education programs. These early learning programs include (but are not limited to): child care, in-licensed family child care providers, Head Start, Early Head Start, private school, charter school, district pre-K (i.e. Nevada Ready! State Pre K, ECSE, Title I, etc.), and itinerant/inclusion model.

***Teachers who were previously nominated/applied, but not selected as award recipients, are eligible to participate again each year.

Please contact Kelly Carr at kelly.carr@doe.nv.gov with any questions.