

## The New York Times

# ESOL

## Teacher of the Year Nomination Form

### All nominations are due by Friday, February 9, 2009.

The New York Times has long recognized the challenges faced by immigrants to the United States, and supports efforts to help immigrants build new lives in this country. Essential to the success of any immigrant is the ability to speak and write English. For that reason, The Times created the annual ESOL Teacher of the Year Award, for one outstanding teacher of English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) in New York City.

The purpose of this award is to recognize one teacher in New York City whose commitment to his or her students is demonstrated by consistently going “above and beyond” the call of duty to help students learn English and develop the skills needed to create successful new lives in the United States.

Eligible nominees include any ESOL teacher of adult-learners working in one of the following counties: Brooklyn, Bronx, Manhattan, Queens, Staten Island, Westchester and Nassau. Teachers who teach outside those areas are not eligible. Nominations will be accepted from ESOL students and teaching colleagues and administrators. All nominations must be postmarked by February 9.

### Winners will be announced in The Times in March 2009.

#### When making a nomination, please consider the following criteria:

Effectiveness of the nominee in teaching English to his or her students. Innovations and teaching method that the nominee brings to the classroom. Impact the nominee has had on the lives of his or her students.

To nominate an ESOL teacher, please provide the following information and answer questions 1–4 on the other side of this sheet. (You may attach additional sheets as necessary.)

#### Please print:

Your name: (Mr./Ms.) \_\_\_\_\_

Your address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Your telephone number: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

Your e-mail address\*: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of teacher you are nominating: (Mr./Ms.) \_\_\_\_\_

Institution (school, library, etc.) at which the nominee teaches: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please include your e-mail address if you wish to receive acknowledgment of our receipt of your nomination.

**Please mail your completed form to:** The New York Times ESOL Teacher of the Year Award  
620 Eighth Avenue, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10018

Nomination forms are available online at **nytimes-community.com**.

Responses can be e-mailed to **esolaward@nytimes.com**. It is not necessary to e-mail the nomination form itself, as long as all questions are answered fully.

### Nominations must be received by February 9, 2009

For more information, please call (212) 556-4500.

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### QUESTIONS

1

What is it about the nominee's style of teaching that is so effective? Please describe the educational setting provided by the teacher.

2

Please give an example of the nominee's willingness to go "above and beyond" in helping students. (Examples can include creative and innovative teaching methods).

3

How does the nominee go beyond teaching English to educating students about the culture of the United States?

4

How has this nominee improved your life or the lives of others?