

# **Guiding the Journey: Indigenous Educator Awards**

The *Guiding the Journey: Indigenous Educator Awards* recognizes Indigenous educators, one Indigenous organization, and one non-Indigenous educator, who have made valuable contributions to community-based education and honour the principles of Indigenous knowledge.

# **Nomination Categories**

- Community Service
- Innovative Practice
- Language, Culture and Traditions
- Leadership
- Role Model
- Partner in Indigenous Education

# **Eligibility Requirements**

Nominees must be individuals who:

- are of First Nation, Inuit or Métis heritage with the exception of nominees in the Partner in Indigenous Education category which is open to non-Indigenous
- educators. are permanent Canadian Residents or Canadian born
- practices K-12 education

### **Nominate an Achiever**

Any person may nominate an eligible individual or organization for a *Guiding the Journey Award.* Please complete the nomination form and submit it and any accompanying letters of support to:

Attn: Nominations
Guiding the Journey
555 Richmond Street West, Suite 1002
Toronto, ON M5V 3B1
Fax: 416.926.7554
educatorawards@indspire.ca

Nominations can also be submitted online at https://bit.ly/3fMnVBf

The nomination should include a strong and clear argument as to why the nominee would merit an award in the chosen category.

#### **Deadline**

The deadline to nominate an individual or organization for the 2021 Guiding the Journey: Indigenous Educator Award is **July 30, 202**1 at 11:59p.m EST.

Application packages must be received by the deadline date.

If you have any questions please contact us: educatorawards@indspire.ca 1.855.463.7747 indspire.ca



## **Guiding the Journey Nomination Form**

Note: Only the nominees selected by the jury as recipients for the current year will be contacted. If your candidate was not selected this year, they may be considered for the following two years.

**Candidate for Nomination** 

Name: Gender: Birth Date: Current Employer: Job Title:			
Personal Contact (Candidate): Address:		Business/Alternate Contact (Candidate): Address:	
Town/City:		Town/City:	
Province/Territory: Telephone: Email:	Postal Code: Cell:	Province/Territory: Telephone: Email:	Postal Code: Cell:
We may need to reach your nominee:	h nominees throughout th	ne review process. Please indi	icate the best way to reach
Personal Email		Business Email	
Personal Phone		Business Phone	
Nominator Information You may be contacted to the Name: Address: Town/City: Province/Territory: Postal Code: Email: Telephone:		re information on your nominatio	n
	to our general email list, wh to being contacted by Indsp	ich you can remove yourself fron ire.	n at any time.

## **Nominee Category**

Please select one nomination category that best suits the nominee (note that the Jury may move your nomination into a different category):

**Community Service**: First Nation, Inuit or Métis person who demonstrated commitment to the community and K-12 students over the span of a career in education.

**Innovative Practice**: First Nation, Inuit or Métis person who demonstrates teaching practices and proven strategies that exemplify excellence.

**Language, Culture and Traditions**: First Nation, Inuit or Métis person who integrates language, culture and Indigenous knowledge into learning that creates an environment open to multiple ways of knowing the world.

**Leadership**: First Nation, Inuit or Métis person who consistently takes on a leadership role in the educational community amongst K-12 students.

**Role Model**: First Nation, Inuit or Métis person who teaches by example, positive and healthy lifestyle choices that have had a significant influence on K-12 students.

**Partner in Indigenous Education**: Non-Indigenous educator who has made a significant contribution to furthering K-12 Indigenous student success.

#### Nominee Achievements and Contributions

In this section, you will provide information about your nominee to support their nomination. Please complete the questions in a separate document (Word (.docx) or PDF are preferred).

#### 1. Achievements & Awards

Provide a description of the candidate's achievements and awards. Clearly explain how the candidate has made a contribution worthy of national recognition. What has the candidate done that was publicly acknowledged or made an impact at the community level?

#### 2. Career Contributions

Describe how the candidate has made an important contribution to his/her career field. How does this relate to his/her nomination for this award? You may include references to community service, innovative practices, professional growth, research papers, presentations/ speeches, etc. Clearly state how this has influenced your nomination of the candidate.

### 3. Additional Details

Add any other noteworthy details about the candidate.

#### 4. Letters of Support

Submit 2-5 letters of support with this nomination. Letters can come from anyone including employers, colleagues, friends and family.