

AETA Awards

AETA's mission has long been one of educating and inspiring teachers of English and language arts throughout the state. As part of that mission, we are proud to honor those teachers who have inspired their students and colleagues. Below is a list of awards given out by the AETA.

Developing Leader Award: This award is presented to a teacher within the first 2-3 years of their profession. This teacher should show potential for leadership beyond the site level. Selection is made in May and recognition is given at the NCTE convention in the fall; a cash award is sometimes available. .

Friend of AETA: This title is awarded to an active supporter of AETA; this person is honored at the AETA state-wide conference in the fall.

Distinguished Service Award: Presented at the fall conference, this award is typically given to a member of the Executive Board who has provided inspiration, guidance and/or many hours of tireless service to bring our publications and conference to fruition.

Middle and High School Teacher of Excellence: Nominations for both levels will be taken during the summer and a teacher from each level will be honored at the fall conference. In May of that school year, the high school winner's name will be forwarded to NCTE for recognition at the fall convention.

Teachers as Writers: Members of AETA are encouraged to enter our writing contest and winners in poetry, prose and short story are awarded a cash prize of \$100 as well as an invitation to a meet-and-greet our guest authors at the fall conference.

To make the selection process for the Teacher of Excellence awards more open and regulated, the Awards Sub-committee of the AETA has created a nomination to allow for a broader range of candidates. We are pleased to announce that the nominations for the 2011 - 2012 school year are underway! Please see the nomination form attached and on our website to nominate a colleague you believe has exhibited superior teaching ability. Our sub-committee is open to more members and all suggestions. Please contact Kelly O'Rourke at korourke11@q.com or Siiri Julian at psjulian1293@yahoo.com.