

This year, the Three Rivers Educational Technology Conference will close by honoring an Innovative Teacher of the Year and Innovative Administrator of the Year to recognize excellence in education in the Pittsburgh Region.

The community of Southwestern PA Region, including parents, students, residents and school district staff, are invited to make their teacher and/or administrator nominations and submit them us.

To nominate a teacher, send a written statement, see the criteria below to help write your statement. We will choose one teacher from each school as a TRETC finalist.

To nominate an administrator, please follow the criteria below to make your submission.

For teachers, nominees must meet the following criteria:

- Instill in students a desire to learn and achieve.
- Integrate technology to help further boost the success of their students.
- Promote careers in STEM through their curriculum and instruction.
- Understand the individual needs of students, encourage their talents and foster their self-esteem.
- Demonstrate a thorough knowledge of subject matter and the ability to share it effectively with students.
- Foster cooperative relationships with their colleagues and the community.
- Demonstrate outstanding leadership.
- Maintain their teaching position throughout the 2020–21 school year.

For school administrators, nominees must meet the following criteria:

- Manage effectively.
- Demonstrate and encourage creativity and innovation.
- Promote the use of technology effectively in their school district.
- Create opportunities to expose students to careers in STEM.
- Foster cooperation between the school and the community.
- Maintain a continuing dialogue with students and parents as well as faculty and staff.
- Keep abreast of developments in the field of educational technology.
- Demonstrate leadership and exemplify commitment.
- Continue to play an active role in the classroom.
- Maintain their position as principal throughout the 2019–20 school year.

The TRETC Innovative Teacher of the Year and Innovative District of the Year will be selected by a TRETC committee late 2020 and will be announced at the closing ceremony at the TRETC Conference on January 18, 2021.

Once chosen as a finalist:

• The nominee along with the person who made the nomination will submit a short video highlighting the criteria above.

Get letters of support to Marie Pelloni at mpelloni@pghtech.org by 4pm on Friday, December 4th.