The program serves to recognize the contributions of the classroom teacher. Candidates must be:

- Exceptionally dedicated.
- Knowledgeable/skilled teachers.
- Respected/admired by parents, colleagues and students.
- Active in the community.
- Active in the school.
- Poised, articulate and energetic.
- Persons of superior ability who inspire students of all backgrounds and abilities to learn.

Applications are available from principals, superintendents and the Nebraska Department of Education. Each candidate personally completes the application form. Self-nominations are welcome.

Applications must be postmarked by midnight August 8, 2014.

Send completed application to:
Nebraska Teacher of the Year Program
Nebraska Department of Education
301 Centennial Mall South, 6th Floor
P.O. Box 94987
Lincoln, NE 68509-4987