



BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATION IN TEACHER AND PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR

Benefits to Candidates

Provides the teacher or principal the opportunity to

- Develop and amplify their voice to advocate for the profession.
- Empower participation in policy discussions to improve education for all children.
- Hone their teaching/leadership skills through professional learning opportunities.
- Serve as the representative to promote the education profession.
- Build relationships with other exemplary educators throughout Louisiana.

Benefits to School Systems

Provides school systems with the opportunity to

- Celebrate, honor and reward outstanding educators for their hard work, dedication and success.
- Call state-wide attention to the exceptional work taking place in their school system.
- Shine the light on the innovative work and leadership of educators.
- Recruit and retain your best educators.

All school systems are encouraged to submit up to three teachers and three principals to the statelevel process (one for elementary, middle and high).

For more information, visit the <u>Award Programs page</u> on the <u>Louisiana Believes website</u>.

For questions, email excellenteducators@la.gov.

