

**Educator Recognition**

**2024-2025 Rhode Island District Teacher of the Year (DTOY)**

**Learn –Teach- Lead**

The DTOY role has expanded to align and support RIDE’s World Class Talent vision. The DTOY program will provide more opportunities for DTOYs to share their expertise, form collaborative learning communities, engage with RIDE leadership and honor their success to inspire RI educators.

As you select your DTOY, we ask that you consider an educator leader who will be willing to both represent the district and serve as the liaison between the district and RIDE sharing information on state initiatives discussed during DTOY meetings. It is recommended that your current DTOY serve as a panel member and thought partner in the selection process for the 2024-2025 DTOY.

Please complete the one-page DTOY profile sheet for the educator who has been selected to represent your district as the 2023-2024 school year.

**DTOY Profile sheet is due to Mary Keenan at Mary.Keenan@ride.ri.gov by May 31, 2024.**

Please keep the following DTOY 2024-2025 roles and responsibilities in mind as you select your DTOY to represent your district:

* Present and/or attend educator conference(s)
* Mentor and onboarding of the 2025-26 DTOY
* Participate in the Senior Pinning ceremony in your district to honor senior students who have been accepted to approved RI education programs or entering a career in education
* Attend an all-day DTOY cohort professional learning session focused on the role of District TOY educator leaders
* Participate in the selection of your District Teacher of the Year
* Attend Educator Recognition Celebration Award ceremony
* Engage in DTOY professional development and leadership training cohort (5 meetings, October, November, January, February, and March)
* Network with other DTOYs and veteran TOYs through social media (Twitter chats, Facebook groups) and other engagement sessions
* Serve as a liaison between RIDE and your district
* Advocate for RI educators, the teaching profession and individual content platforms

**Additional Opportunities:**

* Apply 2026 State Teacher of the Year



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**District Teacher of the Year Profile Sheet**

**2024-2025**

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| Section A: Applicant Information (Please Print Clearly) | |
| DTOY Name: | DTOY Email Address: |
| Home Address: | DTOY Home Telephone: DTOY Cell Number: |
| District: | Principal Name: |
| School: | Principal Telephone Number: |
| School Location: (Rural/Suburban/Urban) | School Type: (Traditional/Charter/Other) |
| Teaching Position/Subject: | Grade Level: |
| Total Years of Teaching Experience: | Total Years in Current Position: |
| Section B: **To be completed by the 2024-2025 District Teacher of the Year and Superintendent** | |
| * I agree to represent my district as the 2024-2025 District Teacher of the Year * I have read the DTOY roles, agree to participate and serve as my district’s liaison and educator leader.   DTOY Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ DTOY Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Superintendent Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Superintendent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |

**DTOY Profile Sheets are Due May 31, 2024**

Please submit this Profile Sheet to: Mary Keenan at [Mary.Keenan@ride.ri.gov](mailto:Mary.Keenan@ride.ri.gov)

Or mail to: Mary Keenan

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