

ELBERT K. FRETWELL
OUTSTANDING
EDUCATOR AWARD

HONORING TEACHERS WHO MAKE BETTER PEOPLE

The Boy Scouts of America developed the Elbert K. Fretwell Outstanding Educator Award to be presented to teachers, educational support staff, and school administrators who stand out from their professional peers in instilling Scouting values in their students. The nominee does not need to have any affiliation with the Boy Scouts of America to be eligible for the award.

“The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.” For that reason, the Elbert K. Fretwell Outstanding Educator Award is presented to people who make their students better people by modeling and teaching Scouting values. The Fretwell Award is not exclusively for classroom teachers. Any school employee who is equipping students to make moral and ethical choices is eligible for this award. This could be a teacher, administrator, custodian, cafeteria worker, attendance clerk, resource officer, teacher’s aide, or any number of others.

It is with this in mind that the Massanutten District of the Virginia Headwaters Council of the Boy Scouts of America is seeking nominations for the Fretwell Award from your school(s). The Massanutten District encompasses Pendleton County, West Virginia and Rockingham County, Virginia (including the City of Harrisonburg). We are looking to recognize one educator per school district and one private school educator within the district. We know recent events have not made things easy for our educators, and we want to show appreciation for what they do every day.

We would like nominations to be returned to us by December 2, 2022. The District Chair, District Commissioner, and District Director will then review the nominations and select the four recipients for this school year. We hope to recognize the recipients at a school board meeting (or other appropriate venue) as well as invite them and their families to our District Recognition Dinner in the spring. We do ask that nominees are not notified of their nomination.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the District Commissioner, Matt Phillippi, at matt.phillippi.vahcsbsa@gmail.com. And thank you for everything you do.

Scouting Values:

Scout Oath: On my Honor, I will do my best, to do my duty, to God and my country. To obey the Scout Law, to help other people at all times, and to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

Scout Law: A Scout is Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty, Brave, Clean, and Reverent.

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NOMINATION FORM

“The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes...” Educators are essential to this mission. A teacher, staff member, or administrator from your school may be honored for being a great example to students and teaching students to make good choices.

Nominate a deserving educator by filling out this form and returning it by December 2, 2022 to matt.phillippi.vahcbsa@gmail.com, texting a picture of this form to (540) 560-2807, or mailing to Matt Phillippi, 772 Woodland Dr., Harrisonburg, VA 22801.

YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

I am a (circle one): Student Parent Colleague

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

ABOUT THE NOMINEE

Name: _____ Position: _____

School/Location: _____

Please tell us how this teacher, staff member, or administrator prepares students to make ethical and moral choices. Be as specific as you can and use additional paper as necessary. Also feel free to include contact information for others that may wish to speak in favor of the nomination.: