



**Arkansas Council for Exceptional Children**  
***Distinguished Teacher in General Education Award***  
**Submission Deadline: May 15, 2016**

The Arkansas Council for Exceptional Children (AR-CEC), a professional association for special educators, related service providers and parents, works to improve the educational success of individuals with disabilities and/or gifts and talents.

The AR-CEC Distinguished Teacher in General Education Award has been established to recognize and honor those exemplary teachers who work with students with disabilities in a general education setting. The nominee should be a teacher certified in general education. His or her work reflects significant educational success for students, continued professional development, and the highest standards of educational quality.

***Award Benefits***

The AR-CEC Distinguished Teacher in General Education Award recipient will:

- Be recognized at an awards ceremony during the AR-CEC Annual Convention
- Be featured on the AR-CEC Facebook Page
- Receive a commemorative plaque to display

***Nominee Eligibility Requirements***

- Must currently serve students with disabilities in a general education setting
- Must hold professional certification in the area in which the nominee provides services
- The work of the nominee must be consistent with AR-CEC mission statement as described in the first paragraph

***Nominator Information***

Nominator \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Numbers (O) \_\_\_\_\_ (H) \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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***Nominee Information***

AR-CEC uses information on the nomination form for all future correspondence and publicity. Please make sure all information is accurate, legible, and spelled correctly.

Nomination of \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Numbers (O) \_\_\_\_\_ (H) \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Current Job Title/Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_

State Teaching Certification Area(s)

\_\_\_\_\_

***Nomination Criteria***

Provide a description of how the individual demonstrates exemplary instruction of students with disabilities in a general education setting. Descriptions may include examples of:

- Teaching practices or programs that have resulted in effective academic/educational instruction and assessment
- Instructional practices that are developmentally appropriate and individualized for his/her students
- How nominee has provided a positive learning environment for all his/her students including the students with disabilities
- Any issues that have arisen from cultural and linguistic differences and how the nominee has addressed them successfully in his/her instruction

Provide additional documentation to support the nomination using the nomination criteria as a guide (e.g. supporting letters, resume or vitae, other documentation.) If you need additional information, please email the current Awards Chair.

Please submit packet and application by email to the AR-CEC Awards Committee at [arcecawards@gmail.com](mailto:arcecawards@gmail.com).

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**Scoring Rubric**

**Nomination Criteria**

0-2 points	3-5 points	6-8 points	9-10 points
Strong evidence of 1 criterion or weak evidence of 2 criteria.	Strong evidence of 2 criteria or weak evidence of 3 criteria.	Strong evidence of 3 criteria or weak evidence of 4 criteria.	Strong evidence of 4 criteria.

**Supporting documentation**

1-3 points	1-2 points
Supporting letters (maximum of 3)	Resume or vitae.