Better Beginnings Award

Nominate A Teacher!

The spirit of the award is that better beginnings make stronger completions.

Purpose: The Better Beginnings Award celebrates the life and career of Helen Bach Moss, a New York State Educator who passed away in 1988. The award recognizes elementary teachers (PreK-6) who are gifted in finding and nurturing the strengths of each student and fostering trusting relationships among pupils, parents, teachers, and administrators. The 2019 Better Beginnings awardee receives $5,000 with an award of $1,000 to the awardee’s school. Second and third place applicants receive $1,000 awards.

Eligibility: The nominee must be currently teaching at the elementary level (PreK-6) in a New York State public or private school, and be appropriately credentialed in New York State.

For more information, please visit: http://www.highered.nysed.gov/kiap/bba/bba.html to learn more about the Better Beginnings Award and to nominate a teacher today!

Nomination Packet Deadline: Friday, February 8, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Please return the nomination packet to:
NYS Education Department
Office of Higher Education
Elena Bruno
89 Washington Avenue – EB 4N
Albany, NY 12234

OR

Email the completed nomination packet to: elena.bruno@nysed.gov
Questions may be directed to: (518) 486-2978