

2011-2012 Tidewater Teacher of the Year

ABOUT THE AWARD

The law firm of Shapiro, Lewis & Appleton will recognize and honor the top elementary school, middle school and high school teachers who teach in the Southside Hampton Roads cities of Virginia Beach, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Chesapeake or Suffolk, VA. The award is available to both public and private school teachers, and three teachers will be selected for each division -- elementary, middle, and high school. The top Tidewater teachers in each division will receive grand prizes of \$1,000, with an additional \$1,000 being awarded to the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) for the teacher's school. The runners-up will receive \$500 awards. Other nominees will receive honorable mention.

WHO CAN SUBMIT NOMINATIONS

Fellow teachers, supervisors, parents, students or any other interested individual may submit a nomination for a teacher. We ask that you keep your recommendation confidential and do not share it with the individual. Self-submitted nominations will not be accepted.

HOW TO APPLY

Please submit your forms to Megan Strait at mstrait@hsinjurylaw.com with the subject: Teacher of the Year Applicant. Each individual must submit the nominated teacher's name on a [completed Teacher Nomination Form](#). On the form, describe in 200 words or fewer why the nominee should be selected. Describe the teacher's innovative teaching style, as well as his or her dedication to teaching. In addition, you may submit attachments containing anything that might help highlight the teacher's accomplishments. Please limit attachments to 5 pages max and 1 megabyte of information saved in either .pdf or .jpeg format.

DEADLINE

The Teacher Nomination Form is due no later than May 15, 2012. The winners will be announced on June 30, 2012.

Questions: Contact Megan Strait at (757) 460-7776 or (800) 752-0042