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Sycamore accepts nominations for Celebrate Excellence Educator Award

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Sycamore Community Schools is now accepting nominations for the Hamilton County Educational Service Center Celebrate Excellence Educator Award –an award developed to recognize and honor excellent educators within the public schools of Hamilton County.

One educator from Sycamore Community Schools will be selected and honored for his or her contributions through the Celebrate Excellence initiative and will be recognized by school, business and civic leaders throughout the city at a breakfast on May 28.

Teachers, students, parents and community members are invited to nominate a Sycamore educator for this prestigious award which recognizes educators who hold a certified license including teachers, nurses, psychologists, counselors, speech therapists and administrators. Nomination forms, which will be accepted through March 17, are available online at www.sycamoreschools.org, under “district forms.” Nomination forms can also be obtained by visiting the Sycamore Board of Education offices at 4881 Cooper Road.

Completed nomination forms should be sent to: Celebrate Excellence, attn: Erika Daggett, 4881 Cooper Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45242. Nominations can also be emailed to daggett@sycamoreschools.org with “Celebrate Excellence” in the subject line.

Characteristics of an excellent educator might include, but are not limited to, a high commitment toward student achievement, making a positive difference, continually improving personally and professionally, or leadership skills that are motivational and creative.

Last year, Maggi Fridman, a math teacher at E.H. Greene Intermediate School, received the award for creating a fun and challenging environment and her devotion to understanding the learning needs of each of her students. In 2008, Dana Darbyshire, a social studies teacher at Sycamore Junior High School, was honored with the award for her hands-on learning style. In 2007 Amy Johnson, a second-grade teacher at Maple Dale Elementary School, was honored with the award for empowering students to learn in a more efficient way and for instilling confidence in students.

For more information, call Sycamore Community Schools at 513-686-1706.