

Nominations open for 2026 Herb Kohl teacher, principal awards



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For the Tomahawk Leader

WISCONSIN – Nominations are now being accepted for the 2026 Herb Kohl Educational Foundation Teacher Fellowship and Principal Leadership awards, honoring exceptional Wisconsin PK–12 educators and school leaders.

Each year, the Foundation honors 100 Teacher Fellowships and up to 16 Principal Leadership Awards statewide.

Each award recipient receives \$6,000.00, and their school also receives a matching \$6,000.00 grant.

The Teacher Fellowship recognizes educators who inspire a love of learning, motivate others and demonstrate exemplary service in and beyond the classroom.

The Principal Leadership Award honors school leaders who demonstrate outstanding administrative skill and foster a positive, collaborative school culture.

To be considered, nominees must currently teach or serve as a principal in a Wisconsin PK–12 school, plan to continue in their current role for at least one more year and be nominated by a parent, student, fellow educator, school administrator or community member.

The principal nomination deadline is Friday, Oct. 3 at 5 p.m.

The teacher nomination deadline is Tuesday, Nov. 11 at 5 p.m.

Following nomination, candidates must complete an application. Recipients are selected by a statewide panel of representatives from the Wisconsin Newspaper Association, cooperative educational service agencies, education associations, and community leaders.

The Fellowship and Leadership programs are co-sponsored by the Wisconsin Newspaper Association Foundation, Association of Wisconsin School Administrators, Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction and the state's 12 Cooperative Educational Service Agencies.

Since its founding in 1990, the Herb Kohl Educational Foundation has awarded more than \$40 million to Wisconsin educators, principals, students and schools.

To submit a nomination, visit <u>www.KohlEducation.org</u>.