



**Rotary Club of Bar Harbor (Mount Desert Island) Maine Club
Golden Apple Award 2024**

May 1, 2024

Dear MDIRSS AOS 91 staff, students, friends, neighbors, and Rotarians,

The Bar Harbor (MDI) Rotary Club is excited to recognize excellence in education by presenting the Golden Apple Award to one lucky and deserving area educator. The club will select one outstanding educator from the MDI Regional School System, based on community, colleague, and administrator nominations. The awardee will receive a \$1,000 honorarium.

Bar Harbor (MDI) Rotary Club is a service organization dedicated to principles such as high ethical standards, truth, fairness in the conduct of personal and professional relationships, and a dedication to one's community. These principles are detailed on the criteria page of the application. Please consider them in making your recommendation. Thank you in advance for your time and effort.

To nominate an educator, please complete and return this form and narrative by May 24, 2024 preferably by email to: lisahorsch@friendsofacadia.org. Nominations may also be sent by postal mail to P.O. Box 45, Bar Harbor, ME 04609 (Attn: Lisa Horsch Clark).

If you have any questions, please email (lisahorsch@friendsofacadia.org) or give me a call (669-2152)!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lisa".

Lisa Horsch Clark
Golden Apple Coordinator MDI Rotary Club

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DESCRIPTION: An award, including a \$1,000 honorarium, given annually to the MDI educator (we use this word broadly and the nominee could include a teacher, guidance counselor, or any school staff member – if they teach students, they are eligible) who best exemplifies the decision criteria below.

PROCEDURE: The recipient will be selected from among recommendations submitted by community members, teachers, students, and school staff. Recommendations will be made on an application form developed by the MDI Rotary club and submitted to the Club Administration Committee for review and recommendation of the top three candidates to the board of directors. The award will be made in June.

CRITERIA: The successful candidate:

1. Is recommended as an outstanding educator
2. Is not a previous recipient of the Rotary Golden Apple Award
3. Reflects the principles of Rotary, including:
 - a. Holds to high ethical standards
 - b. Considers his/her occupation an opportunity to serve others
 - c. Is faithful to the ethical codes of the educating profession and the laws of the country
 - d. Does all in his/her power to dignify the educating profession and to promote the highest ethical standards of the educating profession
 - e. Is fair to administrators, associates, students, the public, and all those with whom he/she has a professional relationship
 - f. Recognizes the honor and respect due to all occupations, which are useful to society
 - g. Offers his/her vocational talents to provide opportunities for young people to work for the needs of others and to improve the quality of life in the community
 - h. Adheres to honesty in all representations to the public about the educating profession
4. Inspires his/her students to learn, through creativity, and effectiveness in the classroom
5. Educates in such a way that results in his/her students' motivation to learn
6. Aspires to go on with his/her education, learning how to be a better educator
7. Regularly contributes to the life of the school in which he/she educates
8. Will participate in a public recognition ceremony at which this award will be made

Nominee's Name	
Nominee's Address	
Nominee's Phone #	
Nominee's Email	
Nominee's Position and School	
# Years Experience	

Nominator's Name	
Nominator's Title	
Nominator's Phone	
Nominator's Email	

May 1:	Letters with application form mailed to school staff; announcement to club members with request for nominations
May 24:	Deadline for submission to MDI Rotary Club
May 28:	Nominations reviewed by committee and presented to the Board
June 5:	Award announced

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Please complete the following brief questionnaire about the nominee. You may, if you prefer, continue on additional pages or complete your own narrative that answers these basic questions.

Nominee Name:
1) This person clearly reflects the principles of Rotary as printed on the cover page of this form and meets the criteria as evidenced by:
2) This person has inspired students to learn through creativity and effectiveness in the classroom. For example:
3) This person conceived and carried out the following learning project or process to motivate students:
4) Other comments that will assist the Bar Harbor (MDI) Rotary Club in selecting:

We are thankful for the time you are taking to honor our community's educators. Please contact Lisa Horsch Clark with any questions you may have.

Please submit nominations by May 24, 2024 to LisaHorsch@friendsofacadia.org