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Honoring Maine’s 2021 County Teachers of the Year
and
2022 Teacher of the Year
Kelsey Stoyanova

Saturday October 23, 2021
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Dolly Sullivan, Educate Maine Program Director

Opening Remarks
Jason Judd, Educate Maine Executive Director

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Year in Review
Cindy Soule, 2021 Maine Teacher of the Year

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2022 Maine Teacher of the Year

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MAINE’S 2021 COUNTY TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

Androscoggin Jessica Harvey
School: Elm Street School
Community: Mechanic Falls, Minot, Poland
District: RSU 16
Grade Level: 2
Subject: Elementary Education
Years Teaching: 5
Education: Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Studies/Teachers for Elementary and Middle Schools/Women and Gender Studies, concentration in English Literature and Language, University of Southern Maine; Master of Science, Education, Extended Teacher Education Prep (ETEP), University of Southern Maine
Principal: Jessica Madsen
Superintendent: Kenneth Healey
Nominated by: Jessica Madsen, Principal

Aroostook Andrew Kirby – 2022 State Semifinalist
School: Caribou High School
Community: Caribou and Stockholm
District: RSU 39
Grade Level: 9-12
Subject: Science
Education: Bachelor of Science, Secondary Education, University of Maine, Machias; Bachelor of Arts, Biology, University of Maine, Machias; M.Ed. in Instructional Technology through the University of Maine (anticipated 2022)
Principal: Eric McGough
Superintendent: Tim Doak
Nominated by: Andrea Hallett, Director of Guidance, Presque Isle High School

Cumberland Dr. Paige Fournier – 2022 State Finalist
School: Freeport Middle School
Community: Durham, Freeport, Pownal
District: RSU 5
Grade Level: 6-8
Subject: Special Education
Years Teaching: 17
Education: Bachelor of Science, Special Education/Elementary Education, Long Island University, C.W. Post Campus, NY; Master of Education, Special Education Concentration, New England College, Henniker, NH; Doctorate of Education, K-12 Leadership, New England College, Henniker, NH
Principal: Ray Grogan
Superintendent: Becky Foley
Nominated by: Ray Grogan, Principal

Franklin Michelle Laliberte – 2022 State Finalist
School: Rangeley Lakes Regional School
Community: Dallas Plantation, Rangeley, Rangeley Plantation, Sandy River Plantation
District: RSU 78
Grade Level: Pre-K - Kindergarten
Subject: Elementary Education
Years Teaching: 20
Education: Bachelor of Science, Early Childhood Education, University of Maine, Farmington; Master of Science in Education, Early Childhood Education, University of Maine, Farmington
Principal: Georgia Campbell
Superintendent: Chris Downing
Nominated by: Kathryn Kay, Parent
Hancock Sarah Doremus
School: Sedgwick Elementary School
Community: Sedgwick
District: Union 76
Grade Level: pre-K - 8
Subjects: Art/STEAM
Years Teaching: 9
Education: Bachelor of Science, Fine Arts, Northeastern University, Boston, MA; Bachelor of Fine Arts, Sculpture, Massachusetts College of Art, Boston, MA; Master of Science, Environmental Studies, Antioch New England Graduate School, Keene, NH
Principal: Carla Magoon
Nominated by: Carla Magoon, Principal

Kennebec Raye Anne DeSoto
School: Gardiner Area High School
Community: Gardiner, Pittston, Randolph, West Gardiner
District: RSU 11 / MSAD 11
Grade Level: K-12
Subject: Gifted and Talented / Science / Engineering/ AP Capstone
Years Teaching: 20
Education: Bachelor of Arts, English (Concentration in Technical Writing) University of Maine; Elementary Certification K-8, University of Maine; Bachelor of Arts, English/Language Arts, Secondary Certification, University of Maine; Gifted and Talented Endorsement, University of Maine; Master of Arts, Teaching, University of Maine (anticipated 2022)
Principal: Chad Kempton
Superintendent: Patricia Hopkins
Nominated by: Kathleen Cutler, Parent

Knox Patti Forster – 2022 State Semifinalist
School: Camden Hills Regional High School
Community: Appleton, Camden, Hope, Lincolnville, Rockport
District: Five Town CSD
Grade Level: 9-10
Subject: English
Years Teaching: 29
Education: Bachelor of Arts, English, California State University, Chico; Secondary Certification, California State University, Chico and Western Governors University; National Board Certified Teacher, English Language Arts/Early Adolescence
Principal: Shawn Carlson
Superintendent: Maria Libby
Nominated by: Shawn Carlson, Principal / Kimberly Barnes, 2019 Aroostook County Teacher of the Year

Lincoln William Hinkley
School: Medomak Valley High School
Community: Friendship, Union, Waldoboro, Warren, Washington
District: RSU 40/MSAD 40
Grade Level: 9-12
Subject: Mathematics
Years Teaching: 25
Education: Bachelor of Arts, Mathematics, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY; Master of Arts, Mathematics, University of Illinois, Champaign; National Board Certified Teacher, Mathematics/Adolescence and Young Adulthood
Principal: Linda Pease
Superintendent: Steve Nolan
Nominated by: Tamra Philbrook, Assistant Principal
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Oxford Melissa Guerrette – 2022 State Semifinalist
School: Oxford Elementary School
District: RSU 17 / MSAD 17
Grade Level: 5
Subject: Elementary Education
Years Teaching: 20
Education: Bachelor of Arts, Elementary Education/French, Saint Michael's College, Colchester, VT; Master of Science, Education - K-5 Mathematics, Walden University, Minneapolis, MN; National Board Certified Teacher, Middle Childhood Generalist
Principal: Tiffany Karnes
Superintendent: Richard Colpitts
Nominated by: Heather Manchester, Curriculum Director

Penobscot Kelsey Stoyanova – 2022 Maine Teacher of the Year
School: Reeds Brook Middle School
Community: Frankfort, Hampden, Newburgh, Winterport
District: RSU 22
Grade Level: 8
Subject: English Language Arts
Years Teaching: 7
Education: Bachelor of Science, Secondary Education (Concentration in English), University of Maine, Orono; Masters of Education, Literacy, University of Maine; Masters in Educational Leadership, University of Maine, (Anticipated May 2023)
Principal: Susan Thibedeau
Superintendent: Regan Nickels
Nominated by: Tessa Castrucci, Student / Stella Fox, Student

Piscataquis Lisa Martel
School: Piscataquis Community Secondary School
Community: Abbot, Cambridge, Guilford, Parkman, Sangerville, Wellington
District: RSU 80/MSAD 4
Grade Level: 9-12
Subject: Mathematics
Years Teaching: 32
Education: Bachelor of Science, Mathematics Education, University of Maine, Orono
Principal: John Keane
Superintendent: Kelly Macfadyen
Nominated by: Jessica Gregory, 2020 Piscataquis County Teacher of the Year

Sagadahoc Lianna Fenimore
School: Mt. Ararat High School
Community: Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, Harpswell, Topsham
District: RSU 75 / MSAD 75
Grade Level: 9-12
Subject: English
Years Teaching: 9
Education: Bachelor of Arts, English, University of New Hampshire, Durham; Master of Arts, Secondary Education, University of New Hampshire, Durham; Certificate of Advanced Study, Interdisciplinary Studies, St. Joseph's College, Standish, ME
Principal: Donna Brunette
Superintendent: Shawn Chabot
Nominated by: Christine Del Rossi, 2018 Sagadahoc County Teacher of the Year
Somerset  Kevin Malady  
School: Lawrence High School  
Community: Albion, Benton, Clinton, Fairfield  
District: RSU 49 / MSAD 49  
Grade Level: 9-12  
Subject: Science  
Years Teaching: 43  
Education: Bachelor of Arts, Education, University of Miami  
Director: Dan Bowers  
Superintendent: Roberta Hersom  
Nominated by: Haley Hersey, Student

Waldo  Hillary Hoyt – 2022 State Finalist  
School: Leroy H. Smith School  
Community: Frankfort, Hampden, Newburgh, Winterport  
District: RSU 22 / MSAD 22  
Grade Level: 3  
Subject: Elementary Education  
Years Teaching: 7  
Education: Bachelor of Arts, Elementary Education, University of Maine, Orono; National Board Certified Teacher, Middle Childhood Generalist  
Principal: Dawn Moore  
Superintendent: Regan Nickels  
Nominated by: Dawn Moore, Principal / Leigh Robles, Teaching Colleague

Washington  Diana Mahar  
School: Sipayik Elementary School (Formerly Beatrice Rafferty School)  
Community: Pleasant Point, Perry  
District: Bureau of Indian Education  
Grade Level: 5  
Subject: Elementary Education  
Years Teaching: 6  
Education: Bachelor of Science, Elementary Education, University of Maine, Machias; Master of Instructional Technology, University of Maine, Orono (anticipated May 2022)  
Principal: Dan Morang  
Superintendent: Dr. Reza Namin  
Nominated by: Airyn Kenney, Colleague

York  Christine Goulet – 2022 State Semifinalist  
School: Biddeford Primary School  
Community: Biddeford  
District: Biddeford School Department  
Grade Level: 2  
Subject: Elementary Education  
Years Teaching: 21  
Education: Associate in Applied Science, Natural Resource Conservation, Finger Lakes Community College, Bennington, VT; Bachelor of Science, Environmental Science, Southern Vermont College, Bennington, VT; Teacher Certification, University of New England, Biddeford, ME; Master of Science, Education, St. Joseph’s College, Standish, ME  
Principal: Margaret Pitts  
Superintendent: Jeremy Ray  
Nominated by: Mandy Cyr, Director of Instruction
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Kelsey Stoyanova of Reeds Brook Middle School, Hampden

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Kelsey Stoyanova, 2022 Maine Teacher of the Year!
(B.S. secondary education, 2014; M.Ed. literacy education, 2018; Ed.S. educational leadership, anticipated 2023)

Hillary Hoyt, 2022 Maine Teacher of the Year Finalist!
(B.S. elementary education, 2013)

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Reeds Brook Middle School

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