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Guam Department of Education **Call for 2025 Guam Teacher of the Year Nominations**

Tiyan, Guam – The Guam Department of Education (GDOE) is now accepting nominations for the 2025 Guam Teacher of the year (GTOY). The GTOY program is a district-wide initiative that celebrates outstanding teachers who demonstrate excellence in their practice, advocate for the teaching profession, and contribute to the improvement of education for all students. The program aims to support and honor these teachers, amplify their voices in policy and practice discussions, and empower them to become leaders in their field.

A candidate for the GTOY is an exceptionally dedicated, knowledgeable, and skilled classroom teacher in any state-approved or accredited school, pre-kindergarten (Pre-K) through grade twelve (12), who plans to continue in an active teaching status. GTOY candidate has the respect and admiration of their colleagues and:

- Is a certified teacher with 5 + years of experience in the Guam Department of Education (GDOE)
- Collaborates with colleagues, students, and families to create a school culture of respect and success.
- Deliberately connects the classroom and key stakeholders to foster a strong community at large.
- Demonstrates leadership and innovation inside and outside the classroom, embodying life-long learning.
- Expresses themselves in an engaging and articulate way.
- Is of good standing in GDOE and the community.

Students, parents, community partners, school administrators, and teachers are invited to nominate a teacher who embodies excellence in teaching and inspires their students and colleagues.

Click on the link to access the 2025 GTOY nomination form <https://shorturl.at/iK347>. The nomination link will also be available on the www.gdoe.net . **The nomination period will close midnight on Monday, January 15, 2024.** For more information on the program, send an email to guamtoy2025@gdoe.net.

You may also send an email to Tes Reyes-Burrier, Public Information Officer at mtreyes@gdoe.net.

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