

# GOVERNOR'S CELEBRATION OF INNOVATION

## Arizona Teacher of the Year 2021

Honoring a Teacher of the Year has been part of the Arizona landscape for many years, and in the early 2000's the *Arizona Technology Council*, under Steve Zylstra, incorporated the award into their annual technology awards showcase, with the *Arizona Commerce Authority* led by Sandra Watson as cosponsor. The teacher of the Year award winner represents the best of the best of Arizona educators in STEM and CTE curriculum.

### **RULES AND REGULATIONS:**

- open to all Arizona High School teachers of STEM, CTE or Technology related subjects.
- application forms and instructions available at **ACESA.org**.
- must have taught for at least three consecutive years in Arizona, including the current year.
- previous Honorable Mentions may apply with updated information.
- previous winners may submit an application on or after the fifth anniversary of having received the award.
- Entry deadline is no-later-than **midnight July 11, 2021**.

**Additional rules apply; official entry documents at <http://www.acesa.org>**

The judging committee reserves the right to extend the entry deadline.

The Teacher of the Year will:

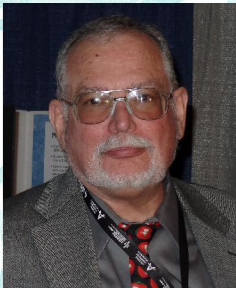
- receive a cash award,
- have a video made of you describing your teaching methods and philosophies,
- receive complementary admission for four to the Governor's Celebration of Innovation, and
- be asked to present a display board at the GCOI showcase describing your teaching style.

Up to two Honorable Mentions may also be awarded.

### Some of GCOI's previous winners



**2014** Andrew Lettes  
Pueblo Magnet, Tucson



**2015** Paul McElligott  
Fountain Hills HS



**2016** Christine Sapio  
Coconino HS, Flagstaff



**2017** Marni Landry  
Paradise Valley HS



**2018** Pradip Misra  
Bagdad High School



**2019** Kathy Gazda  
Red Mountain HS, Mesa

The Teacher of the Year award is jointly sponsored by the *Arizona Technology Council* and the *Arizona Commerce Authority*



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