Do you know a teacher who is dedicated, inspiring, and making a difference?

The classroom teacher is the backbone of the American educational system. No one person has a greater impact on the education of a child than does the teacher, who creates the primary learning and instructional environment.

Nominate a teacher for the Agar-Blunt-Onida 2025-26 "Teacher of the Year"

To nominate a teacher for the A-B-O Teacher of the Year Award, simply complete this form and send it by **February 13, 2026,** to: Jeremy Chicoine, Superintendent, P.O. Box 205, Onida, SD 57564.

Nominee's Name: _____

Nominee's School: _____

Grade(s) Taught: _____ **Subject(s) Taught:** _____

Please explain **why you** feel the educator you are nominating should be the District Teacher of the Year, citing specific examples. Some things to consider: the teacher's methods for meeting student needs, desire for professional growth, community involvement, dedication to the teaching profession, and rapport with students, parents and staff.

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The Agar-Blunt-Onida Teacher of the Year becomes eligible to apply for the Regional Teacher of the Year Award, and possibly for the South Dakota and/or the National Teacher of the Year Award. For more information on the Teacher of the Year Program visit, http://doe.sd.gov/oatq/teacheroftheyear.aspx.

Nominator Signature: _____ **Printed Name:** _____