

News Release: Teachers! Apply Today For the 2015 Christa McAuliffe Award

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Background

In honor of Christa McAuliffe, a former Prince George's County Public Schools teacher, the Board of Education established the Christa McAuliffe Award to recognize excellence in teaching. This award, available to Prince George's County Public Schools teachers only, honors an outstanding teacher based on competitive standards of excellence established by other teachers.

The award is also a special tribute to Christa McAuliffe, America's Teacher-In-Space, who died in the 1986 explosion of the Space Shuttle Challenger. Mrs. McAuliffe taught in Prince George's County from 1971 to 1978.

Candidates must be certified full-time teachers in grades kindergarten through twelve in PGCPs and have spent at least the past five years teaching full-time in Prince George's County Public Schools. To review or print out the application, (<http://ektron.pgcps.org/WorkArea/linkit.aspx?LinkIdentifier=id&ItemID=120708>) (<http://ektron.pgcps.org/WorkArea/DownloadAsset.aspx?id=154154>)click here (<http://www1.pgcps.org/WorkArea/DownloadAsset.aspx?id=207548>).

Application Deadline - April 20, 2015.

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Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS), one of the nation's 20th largest school districts, has 201 schools and centers, more than 133,000 students and nearly 20,000 employees. The school system serves a diverse student population from urban, suburban and rural communities located in the Washington, DC suburbs. PGCPS is nationally recognized for college and career-readiness programs that provide students with unique learning opportunities, including dual enrollment and language immersion.