



2017 PACCA AWARDS
NOMINATE TODAY!
CLOSING DATE: FRIDAY, JULY 14, 2017

**EDUCATOR
OF THE
YEAR**



**AWARD
OF
EXCELLENCE**

MAKE A NOMINATION!

- Review the attached eligibility information
- **Complete the nomination form at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2017PACCA>**
- Be sure to include a written description why this person deserves the award
- You may also include testimonials from children, fellow staff, and parents to illustrate your nominee's exceptional work

**DO YOU WORK WITH OR KNOW AN OUTSTANDING
EARLY CHILDHOOD PROFESSIONAL?**

PACCA is accepting nominations for the 2017 *Educator of the Year* award and the *Award of Excellence*

These awards recognize contributions made by PACCA members to the early care and education profession. Both members and non-members may make nominations.

Winners receive:

- Complementary registration and hotel accommodations for the Early Childhood Education Summit in State College, Oct. 16—18, 2017;
- Honor during the official awards presentation at the 2017 Early Childhood Education Summit; and
- Recognition in PACCA's newsletter, website, and Facebook page

The Educator of the Year...

honors outstanding service and accomplishments in the delivery of services to children. It is given to an individual at a PACCA member program who has contributed significantly to the direct care and education of young children

The Award of Excellence...

honors outstanding service and accomplishments of program administrators. The award is presented to a member of PACCA who has demonstrated qualities of vision, teamwork, and leadership

Winners will be notified by Thursday, August 31, 2017. Awards will be presented at the Early Childhood Summit, October 16—18, 2017, in State College, PA. All nominees will be notified of the Award Committee's decision.

Educator of the Year

This award is presented to a child care teacher or staff person who works directly with children and who is an excellent example for others. The *Educator of the Year*

- Creates and models a cooperative, caring environment
- Plans and implements a curriculum to enhance, support and assess development and learning
- Establishes positive relationships with each family to support the success of all children
- Strives to stimulate wonderment, curiosity and love of learning
- Fosters the positive growth of children in relation to others, themselves, and their environment

Eligibility

Each nominee must meet the following guidelines:

- Is employed by a PACCA member organization.
- Has taught in early childhood education for at least three years.
- Provides for the health and safety of young children.

Award of Excellence

This award is presented to the owner, executive director or administrator who demonstrates qualities of:

- Vision—Believes that all children have the right to a safe, healthy and developmentally stimulating early care and education experience.
- Teamwork—Strives to meet the needs of families, teachers, and support staff as they serve children from all income levels, abilities and cultures
- Leadership—Contributes to their community and promotes the value of early care and education to the general public as well as advocating that all families have access to stable, affordable, quality early care and education for their children.

Eligibility

Each nominee must meet the following guidelines:

- Is employed by a PACCA member organization;
- Has been a director, executive director, administrator or owner for at least three years;

In addition, it is suggested that the individual:

- Has served the community by participating in leadership positions on committees, boards or task forces;
- Has authored articles or been a presenter at a provider training; and/or
- Has been a child care advocate

Nomination form available at:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PACCA2017>

IMPORTANT DATES:

Nominations deadline	July 14, 2017
Nominees contacted	July 18, 2017
Nominee responses due	August 11, 2017
Recipients notified	August 31, 2017
Awards presentation	October 17, 2017