

District 15 Awards of Merit



General Guidelines:

- Nominations can be forwarded by board courier, email (info@osstfd15.net), or by hand to the District Office.
- Nominations must include the name of the nominee, the nominator, and the name of the award for which the submission is intended.
- Nominations must arrive at the District Office no later than **Friday April 10, 2020**.
- Nominations must focus on the nominee's accomplishments/involvement as outlined in the criteria below and should be limited to roughly one page in length.
- Individuals may be nominated in multiple award categories but will only be eligible to win one award in a given year.

Award Criteria:

Dedication to Volunteerism and Community Building Award

Awarded to a member who has:

- Demonstrated a commitment to volunteerism in their local community;
- Inspired others in the course of their professional practice to become active in their community; and/or
- Promoted a more positive relationship between OSSTF and the local community.

OSSTF Individual Environmental Award

Awarded to a member who has:

- Promoted awareness of environmental issues within their Branch or the District;
- Promoted awareness of environmental issues in their work as an educator;
- Initiated and implemented measures to reduce the ecological footprint of their Branch or the District; and/or
- Motivated other OSSTF members to reduce the environmental impact of their union activities.

Peter Carroll District Service Award

Awarded to a member who has:

- Made an outstanding contribution to the work of the Federation in their Branch or the District;
- Done exemplary work as a representative of District 15 in the provincial organization;
- Promoted awareness of labour issues in the course of their teaching practice; and/or
- Demonstrated leadership in local labour councils and/or labour unions.

Status of Women Award

Awarded to a member who has:

- Significant involvement in projects to support gender equity and safety;
- Involvement with the development of programs that have a positive impact on the lives of female students;
- Participated in initiatives to enhance women's involvement, activism and opportunities for leadership; and/or
- Involvement in political action and advocacy to protect and enhance equality for women.

The member's work may be directed within the OSSTF itself, but may also include efforts within education, labour or women's movements, and/or the local, national or international community.

Award winners will be selected by a 3 member panel appointed by the Teachers' / Occasional Teachers' Bargaining Unit Council. Award winners, and their nominators, will be invited to attend the Annual Meeting of the Bargaining Unit Assembly (May 8, 2020) where their award will be presented. Awards also include a cash prize.

For more information, including past recipients, please visit the District website at www.osstfd15.net.