# Strength in Unity: Embracing the Tapestry of Our Diversity,

**Cultivating Our Heritage, & Celebrating Our Multilingualism** 

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**SEAL OF EXCELLENCE SUBMISSION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 6, 2023** 

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ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR

**TEACHER OF THE YEAR** 

PARAEDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

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#### **ABE 2024** February 21 - 24, 2024 | Anaheim Convention Center North Hall

CABE invites you to submit candidate applications for Administrator of the Year, Teacher of the Year, Paraeducator of the Year, Parent of the Year, and Seal of Excellence School Awards. This is an opportunity to honor candidates in each category for their excellence, dedication, cultural sensitivity, high expectations for English learners, and the promotion of bilingual education, as well as to recognize schools that have established effective programs for English learners and bilingual learners.

Encourage your students to submit their essays for the Student Writing Contest for grades K-12 that focus on the many advantages of being bilingual/biliterate. Please review the grade levels and the individual themes.

#### **ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR**

One exemplary administrator who has made contributions to bilingual education through their excellent work, dedication, and leadership on behalf of English learners will be honored.

Recipient will be given the date of the award presentation in official notification letter.

#### Criteria

- Currently an administrator (Pre K-12)
- Minimum of five years as an administrator in a capacity providing service to English learners
- Outstanding contributions to education and English learner
- A philosophy that reflects cultural sensitivity and high expectations
- Promotion of bilingual education proven practices and research on English learners
- Must be a CABE member through February 29, 2024

#### PARAEDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

One exemplary bilingual paraeducator (classified staff: instructional assistant, parent liaison, teacher's aide, classroom assistant, etc.) who has made contributions to bilingual education and English learners beyond the normal scope of their assigned responsibilities will be honored.

Recipient will be given the date of the award presentation in official notification letter.

#### Criteria

- Currently a bilingual paraeducator having quality contact with English learners and parents
- Has served as a paraeducator for at least two years
- Outstanding contributions to bilingual education and English learner programs
- Promotion of bilingual education and a philosophy that reflects cultural sensitivity and high expectations for English learners and parents
- Must be a CABE member through February 29, 2024

#### **TEACHER OF THE YEAR**

One exemplary bilingual teacher who has made contributions to bilingual education and English learners beyond the normal scope of their assigned responsibilities will be honored.

Recipient will be given the date of the award presentation in official notification letter.

#### Criteria

- Currently a bilingual classroom teacher (Pre K-12)
- Minimum of three years bilingual teaching experience
- California bilingual teacher credential (except Pre K teachers) or certification
- Outstanding contributions to bilingual education
- A philosophy that reflects cultural sensitivity and high expectations
- Promotion of bilingual education proven practices and research on English learners
- Must be a CABE member through February 29, 2024

#### PARENT OF THE YEAR

One exemplary bilingual parent leader who has made significant contributions to their child's school on behalf of biliteracy and English learners will be honored.

If you would like to nominate yourself or someone who has effectively contributed to bilingual education and English learner programs, please complete the online submission.

Recipient will be given the date of the award presentation in official notification letter.

#### Criteria

Minimum of two years of proactive parent and family engagement and leadership serving in:

- Classrooms
- School Site Committees/Councils
- Community
- District Committees/Councils
- Must be a CABE member through February 29, 2024

Submission Deadline: November 14, 2023 cabe2024.org/cabe2024\_awards/



#### **EABE 2024** February 21 - 24, 2024 | Anaheim Convention Center North Hall



## Student Essay Writing

The Student Essay Writing for the CABE 2024 Annual Conference, will focus on the many advantages of being bilingual/biliterate.

#### The theme for this year's student essay writing is:

#### Grades K-2

How would speaking more than one language and understanding other cultures help you plan a party for people from different cultures who speak many languages? Write a story about how understanding languages and cultures would make everyone at the party happy and excited.

#### Grades 3-5

How does your ability to speak different languages help you understand and connect with others? Write about how understanding other languages and cultures can create unity, connections, and joy among members of a community.

#### Grades 6-8 and 9-12

How have your experiences as a bilingual/multilingual individual empowered you to bridge gaps, build connections, and contribute to the vibrant tapestry of diversity within your family and community? Write about how these experiences have helped you embrace diversity, honor your heritage, and celebrate multilingualism.

> For more information and to submit application, please visit: cabe2024.org/cabe2024\_awards/

#### AWARD INFORMATION

#### **CATEGORIES**

Grades K-2

Grades 3-5

Grades 6-8

Grades 9-12

Students will read their essay or excerpts from the essay and receive their award during the Seal of Excellence Banquet on Friday, Feb. 23, 2024

Students who have received the CABE Student Essay Writing Award within the last three years are not eligible.

#### SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

**NOVEMBER 14, 2023** AT 11:59 PM (PST)

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#### For further information

- nominations@gocabe.org
- **2** 626-814-4441 ext. 101

### Geal of Excelence (Award

#### Elevate your school's legacy with the ultimate recognition!

The California Association for Bilingual Education invites you to shine on the grand stage of distinction as we open the doors to nominations for the prestigious CABE 2024 Seal of Excellence Award!

Since its inception in 1996, the Seal of Excellence Award has stood as a beacon of honor, celebrating extraordinary biliteracy programs across our great

state. We applaud schools that have carved pathways of success for their dual language and English learner students.

Raise your standard and be recognized among the finest. To claim the esteemed CABE 2024 Seal of Excellence Award, your school must embrace excellence by exceeding criteria that illuminate your exceptional achievements. Both public and private schools in California are invited to take part in this exhilarating journey. (Please note that schools honored with this accolade within the last 4 years are not eligible.)

Elevate, and embody the spirit of bilingual education by receiving the Seal of Excellence School Award. Your story of dedication, perseverance, and achievement awaits its deserving spotlight and recognition!

Awards wil be presented during the Seal of Excellence Banquet on Friday, February 23, 2024

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### AWARD NOMINATIONS

#### CABE 2024 AWARDS NOMINATION

Important Dates to Remember...

6 2023 **Submission Deadline for the Seal of Excellence** 

JANUARY

4
2024

Award Recipient are notified by CABE

10 2023

Seal of Excellence Awards will be announced

21-24 2024 CABE 2024 Annual Conference Anaheim, California

14 2023 Submission Deadline for Administrator, Teacher, Parent, Paraeducator of the Year, and Student Essay Writing

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