



CABE 2024 Paraeducator of the Year Guidelines

The California Association for Bilingual Education recognizes that there are many outstanding bilingual paraeducators (classified staff: instructional assistant, parent liaison, teacher's aide, classroom assistant, etc.) serving English learners in California. This award is in recognition of paraeducators who have made contributions to bilingual education and English learners beyond the normal scope of their assigned responsibilities. At the 2024 CABE Conference in California, an exemplary bilingual paraeducator will be honored for their excellence, dedication, and promotion of bilingual education. You are invited to submit one nominee for the Bilingual Paraeducator of the Year Award. A committee of bilingual educators, paraeducators, and administrators will select the Paraeducator of the Year from the submitted nominations. The selected Paraeducator of the Year will be notified on January 4, 2024. The winner will receive:

- A complimentary CABE 2024 conference registration
- A plaque
- Round-trip transportation
- A one night's lodging
- Two tickets to the Awards Luncheon (awardee and guest)
- An award of \$500.00

Please complete the online submission form with all portfolio requirements. Application submission deadline is Tuesday, November 14, 2023, at 11:59 PM (PST). Applications received after the deadline will not be accepted.

Nomination Criteria

- Member of CABE through February 29, 2024
- Must be a California Resident
- Currently a bilingual paraeducator (PreK-12)
- Minimum of 2 years serving ELs as a paraeducator
- Has made outstanding contributions to bilingual education and EL Programs
- Possesses an educational philosophy and approach that is culturally sensitive & has high expectations for ELs
- Evidence of promotion of bilingual programs

Requirements

- Biographical resume (2 pages maximum)
- Candidate statement (3 pages maximum) that includes: philosophy of education, experience with ELs, community service, and CABE service information
- 3 letters of recommendation (1 letter must be from immediate supervisor)
- Color photo (high resolution, digital format)