A highlight of the Australian Council for Educational Leaders Northern Territory (ACEL NT) is the annual celebration and presentation of awards. ACEL NT honours those educational leaders who in the view of their peers have made a significant contribution to the understanding and practice of educational leadership.

To assist in this process, we urge all ACEL NT members to consider nominating worthy candidates for recognition of their leadership and service to education.

Nominations must be received by Thursday 16th March 2017.
Confidentiality
The award nomination process is confidential until completed, and nominations have been approved.

Awards Committee
All nominations that have followed the appropriate format and are received by the required date will be reviewed by the Northern Territory Awards Committee. This Committee will confirm nominations that meet all criteria and where necessary seek further information in order to reach a decision.

Award notification
The Northern Territory President will contact successful nominees on completion of the process. Members seeking further information or assistance with the nomination process can contact Graham Chadwick or Suzie Goodman, Members of the Northern Territory Awards Committee at graham.chadwick@ntschools.net or suzie.goodman@nt.gov.au

Key points to address in Leadership Award nominations.

Leads Self for Learning
• Continually works to develop and consolidate own identity
• Grows personal attributes and skills to enhance performance
• Models ethical behaviour and practices

Leads Others for Learning
• Develops a learning culture in which all can successfully learn
• Builds and supports individual and team capability and performance
• Makes learning the core focus
• Uses skilful language and communication to move learning forward

Leads the Organisation for Learning
• Builds accountabilities and ownership for learning through all levels of the organisation
• Creates optimum opportunities for learning and growth
• Builds sustainable and purposeful internal and external relationships
• Thinks and plans strategically to achieve goals

Nominations must be received by 16th March 2017
ACEL NT Leadership Award

Up to ten (10) awards are presented each year to individual educators or teams of educators who have demonstrated excellent educational leadership in developing and implementing an educational initiative, conducting research or influencing educational policy, leading to improved outcomes for students and/ or colleagues in any educational setting. Nominees for an ACEL-NT Leadership Award need not be members of ACEL.

Nominators should specifically focus on identifying and describing in some detail the achievements, capabilities and practices that clearly demonstrate excellent educational leadership.

ACEL NT Inspiring Educator Award

This award honours those educators whose teaching skills, relationships with students and attitude towards their work have inspired young people within their realm of influence to choose teaching as a career.

This award provides the profession and the community with examples of teachers who are proud of the work they do and are committed to the ideals and goals of teaching.

Teachers and students are invited to nominate a teacher who has significantly influenced them during their school life.

Nominators are asked to describe in no more than 200 words how they were inspired by the particular teacher being nominated and to include full name and provide contact details, including address, phone number or email address if possible.

All nominees will be awarded a certificate and invited to the Awards function.

ACEL NT Early Career Teacher Leadership Award

This award provides teachers who are in the early stages of their career, generally in their first five years, with recognition for their excellent contribution to education in NT.

Essential criteria are: The improvement of student outcomes through

- Exemplary teaching practice
- A contribution to leading the professional learning of others
- Building purposeful internal and external relationships

Nominations must be recieved by 16th March 2017
ACEL NT Fellowship Award

The award of an ACEL-NT Fellowship indicates that, in the judgement of his/her peers, this person has made a significant impact and contribution over an extended period of time to educational leadership and education within their workplace and beyond, e.g. at a district, regional, system, state and/or national level. Nominees must be a current member of ACEL.

Criteria to address:

• A significant contribution to the achievement of educational outcomes and the professional learning of others
• High level leadership capabilities and an ability to inspire, influence and implement educational change
• A significant contribution to the practice and/or theory of educational leadership within their workplace and beyond, e.g. at a district, regional, system, state and/or national level
• Contributions to ACEL.

Nominations must be received by 16th March 2017