



# SCHOOL BUS DRIVER OF THE YEAR AWARD

- NOMINATION CRITERIA -

Revised: January 2023

**Purpose:** To celebrate outstanding contributions that school bus drivers make every school day transporting Alberta's students to and from school.

**Award Committee:** The Selection Committee shall consist of five members. There will be two STAA Executive members and 3 STAA members or Life Members at large. The school district where the bus driver was nominated from may not be a member of the Award Committee.

**Who may nominate a driver:** A bus driver's supervisor, teacher/principal, peer, or parents/students may submit a nomination.

**Award Criteria:** Award is based on the full-time driver's daily duties, responsibilities and public interactions of transporting school children to and from school on a regular basis. Driver must not have previously been awarded this recognition. All award nominee application packages must be clearly identified as "Driver of the Year Nomination". Nominee shall be an active, full-time driver as of the application deadline. The committee reserves the right to request additional supporting information for/during the selection process. Only one (1) nominee for Driver of the Year will be selected. The deadline for application shall be December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. Nominations will be considered for two years.

**Supporting Documentation:**

1. Nomination packages **must** include the following:
  - a) narratives from the following: supervisor, teacher/principal, peer, parents/students; and
  - b) current school year Commercial Driver's Abstract
2. Include the following information for Award consideration:
  - a) Years of service as a bus driver;
  - b) Student management skills & abilities, student interaction etc.;
  - c) Professionalism as a driver, including interaction with staff and parents;
  - d) Driver attitude.
3. Nominations will include the following:
  - a) Testament to attendance at professional development;
  - b) Testament to good driving record;
  - c) Supporting cards, photos etc.

**Award Winner Prizes:** Prizes for the award recipient shall include:

- a) Registration, related travel and accommodation expenses to attend the annual Convention and/or Provincial Bus Roadeo;
- b) An award presented at the annual Convention and/or Provincial Bus Roadeo
- c) \$500 cash.

**Nominations Submitted To:** Submit your nomination to your Division's Director of Transportation and they will submit the nomination to:

[staalberta@outlook.com](mailto:staalberta@outlook.com) **OR**

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