

THE "GEORGE KING AWARD
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(teacher award)

(Revised November 30, 2024)

NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL MARCH 27, 2025**"OPEN TO MEMBERS OF OCEA ONLY"**

George King was the **President of the Ontario Cooperative Education Association (OCEA)** in 1986-1987. As President, George was tireless in his quest to ensure that OCEA achieved the status of a professional organization that was dedicated to ensuring the best for Cooperative Education – the best resources, the best and most qualified teachers, the best experiences for all students. George believed that no other program in our educational system impacted so directly on the relationship of school to community than Cooperative Education.

In 1991, the OCEA "**Award of Excellence**" was renamed the "**George King Award of Excellence**" to honour the man that many believed embodied the very foundation of this award – **QUALITY, EXCELLENCE, and INTEGRITY**.

THE GEORGE KING AWARD OF EXCELLENCE IS THE HIGHEST, MOST PRESTIGIOUS AWARD THAT OCEA CAN BESTOW TO ITS MEMBERS.

This award may be presented annually to a teacher and board level educator who has distinguished themselves by making an ongoing and outstanding LOCAL, REGIONAL, and PROVINCIAL contribution to Cooperative Education and / or other forms of Experiential Learning **for a minimum of five years in the Province of Ontario**.

The growth and development of the Ontario Cooperative Education Association (OCEA) is the result of **teachers and board level educators** who have worked diligently and have contributed their talents and energies to promote Cooperative Education and all other forms of Experiential Learning **in the Province of Ontario**.

To recognize and acknowledge these teachers and board level educators' exceptional contributions, OCEA has made it an annual tradition to present the **George King Award of Excellence** to one deserving teacher / board level educator during the annual OCEA Spring Conference.

NOTE: When nominating an OCEA member for this most prestigious award, please keep in mind that the example(s) for each of the criterion can be used only once. If one example meets several criteria, clearly make the connection:

FOR EXAMPLE: VOLUNTEER OCEA CONFERENCE / SYMPOSIUM PARTICIPATION:

- 1) OCEA Conference or Symposium Presenter (Professional Instruction).
- 2) OCEA Conference Chair (Leadership).
- 3) OCEA Conference Planning Team Member (Organization).
- 4) OCEA Conference Reviewer for the OCEA e-NEWS (Contributor to Professional Publication).

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THE "GEORGE KING AWARD OF EXCELLENCE" CRITERION AND SUBMISSION PROCESS:

- 1) Nominations must be completed using the "**GEORGE KING AWARD OF EXCELLENCE**" **TEMPLATE** and must be submitted to the OCEA Awards' Chair by the specified due date (as noted on the nomination form).
- 2) IN ADDITION, TO THE NOMINATION FORM, A MINIMUM ONE-PAGE TYPED SUMMARY MUST BE INCLUDED TO FURTHER SUPPORT THE NOMINATION.
- 3) The Nominee and nominators (2) **MUST** be current members of OCEA and **MUST** be members in GOOD STANDING with the Ontario College of Teachers (OCT).
- 4) Nominators must clearly indicate on the nomination form that the nominee has displayed ongoing commitment and involvement to Cooperative Education and / or any other form of Experiential Learning **for a minimum of five years in the Province of Ontario**.
- 5) Nominations can only be submitted (for the same individual) for one award in any given year.
- 6) Only one recipient shall be chosen for the *George King Award of Excellence* per year. HOWEVER, the Awards' Sub-Committee have the option to recommend that, for a given year, NO recipient be selected for the *George King Award of Excellence*.
- 7) OCEA Provincial Representatives, OCEA affiliate groups, and district school board Cooperative Education councils are encouraged to nominate worthy recipients.
- 8) Selection of award recipient will be made by an OCEA Awards' Sub-committee made up of the current OCEA Board of Directors.
- 9) In any given year, any current member of OCEA, excluding the current OCEA Board of Directors and Provincial Representatives, is eligible to be nominated for the *George King Award of Excellence* if they meet ALL criteria of this most prestigious award.
- 10) OCEA Past-Presidents / Past-Chairs are not eligible to be nominated for the *George King Award of Excellence* for a period of three years after serving their term as Chair / President.

THE GEORGE KING AWARD OF EXCELLENCE 2025 TEMPLATE

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL AREAS OF THIS FORM		*PLEASE BE SPECIFIC – PROVIDE EXAMPLE(S), ADDITIONAL COMMENTS, AND INCLUDE DATES IF POSSIBLE. ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED IN DETAIL.
Is the Nominee a current member of OCEA? (Nominee must be a current member of OCEA)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Has the Nominee been an active member of OCEA for a minimum of five years?*	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Has the Nominee been teaching and / or actively involved in Cooperative Education and / or other forms of Experiential Learning for a minimum of five years in Ontario?*	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Has the Nominee successfully completed <i>Part One, Part Two and the Specialist AQ courses in Cooperative Education</i> ?*	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION		
CRITERIA	*PLEASE BE SPECIFIC – PROVIDE EXAMPLE(S), ADDITIONAL COMMENTS, AND INCLUDE DATES IF POSSIBLE. ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED IN DETAIL.	
1) Has the Nominee presented, conducted, and / or contributed to workshops, meetings, symposiums or conferences at the local, regional, and / or provincial levels in Ontario?*		
2) Has the Nominee provided professional teacher training, leadership or mentorship to other Cooperative Education teachers at the local, regional, and / or provincial levels in Ontario?*		
3) Has the Nominee written or been involved in the development of Cooperative Education and / or any other form of Experiential Learning teacher resources at the local, regional, and / or provincial levels in Ontario?*		
4) Has the Nominee written articles, reviews, and / or reports for the OCEA e-NEWS or any other professional publication regarding Cooperative Education and / or any other form of Experiential Learning at the local, regional, and / or provincial levels in Ontario?*		

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LEADERSHIP	
CRITERIA	*PLEASE BE SPECIFIC – PROVIDE EXAMPLE(S), ADDITIONAL COMMENTS, AND INCLUDE DATES IF POSSIBLE. ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED IN DETAIL.
1) Has the Nominee developed or been involved in the development of educational partnerships, e.g., co-terminus, community, and / or provincial associations in Ontario?*	
2) Has the Nominee organized or been involved in organizing symposiums, conferences or training sessions at the local, regional, and / or provincial levels in Ontario?* (Clearly state role(s) assumed by the Nominee (e.g., Conference Chair, Treasurer, Planning Committee Member, etc.).)*	
3) Has the Nominee advocated on behalf of Cooperative Education and / or any other form of Experiential Learning to various audiences, e.g., administrators, ministries, federations, or within their community in Ontario?*	
4) Has the Nominee promoted or participated in any Ontario Ministry(ies) initiatives in regard to Cooperative Education and / or any other form of Experiential Learning in Ontario?*	
5) Has the Nominee conducted research, follow-up studies or surveys regarding Cooperative Education and / or any other form of Experiential Learning in Ontario?*	
6) IMPORTANT: IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS AND INFORMATION, A MINIMUM ONE-PAGE TYPED SUMMARY MUST BE INCLUDED TO FURTHER SUPPORT THE NOMINATION.	

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NOMINEE'S INFORMATION FORM

IMPORTANT: PLEASE NEATLY PRINT OR TYPE IN ALL CAPITAL LETTERS

NOTE: FOR THE NOMINEE'S AND NOMINATOR'S INFORMATION ONLY -- PLEASE PUT "N/A" IF QUESTION / INFORMATION IS NOT APPLICABLE. ALL OTHER AREAS MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL AS STATED IN EACH SECTION.

CURRENT OCEA MEMBER? (Nominee must be current member of OCEA).	ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TEACHERS (OCT) NUMBER:
NOMINEE'S FIRST NAME:	NOMINEE'S LAST NAME:
NOMINEE'S CURRENT WORK TITLE:	NOMINEE'S EMAIL ADDRESS:
SCHOOL (IF SCHOOL BASED):	
WORK PHONE NUMBER (INCLUDE AREA CODE) AND EXTENTION:	CELL PHONE NUMBER (INCLUDE AREA CODE):
PRINCIPAL'S NAME (FIRST / LAST) (IF SCHOOL BASED):	PRINCIPAL'S EMAIL ADDRESS:
ONTARIO DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD:	
SUPERVISOR'S NAME (FIRST / LAST) (IF BOARD BASED):	SUPERVISOR'S EMAIL ADDRESS:
DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION'S NAME (FIRST / LAST):	DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION EMAIL ADDRESS:
SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION'S NAME (FIRST / LAST):	SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION'S EMAIL ADDRESS:

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FIRST NOMINATOR'S INFORMATION – **(BOTH NOMINATORS MUST BE CURRENT OCEA MEMBERS):**

CURRENT OCEA MEMBER? (Nominator must be current member of OCEA).	ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TEACHERS (OCT) NUMBER:
NOMINATOR'S FIRST NAME:	NOMINATOR'S LAST NAME:
NOMINATOR'S CURRENT WORK TITLE:	NOMINATOR'S EMAIL ADDRESS:
SCHOOL (IF SCHOOL BASED):	
WORK PHONE NUMBER (INCLUDE AREA CODE) AND EXTENTION:	CELL PHONE NUMBER (INCLUDE AREA CODE):
PRINCIPAL'S NAME (FIRST / LAST) (IF SCHOOL BASED):	PRINCIPAL'S EMAIL ADDRESS:
ONTARIO DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD:	
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DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION'S NAME (FIRST / LAST):	DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION EMAIL ADDRESS:
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SECOND NOMINATOR'S INFORMATION – **(BOTH NOMINATORS MUST BE CURRENT OCEA MEMBERS)**:

CURRENT OCEA MEMBER? (Nominator must be current member of OCEA)	ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TEACHERS (OCT) NUMBER:
NOMINATOR'S FIRST NAME:	NOMINATOR'S LAST NAME:
NOMINATOR'S CURRENT WORK TITLE:	NOMINATOR'S EMAIL ADDRESS:
SCHOOL (IF SCHOOL BASED):	
WORK PHONE NUMBER (INCLUDE AREA CODE) AND EXTENTION:	CELL PHONE NUMBER (INCLUDE AREA CODE):
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DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION'S NAME (FIRST / LAST):	DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION EMAIL ADDRESS:
SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION'S NAME (FIRST / LAST):	SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION'S EMAIL ADDRESS:

SUBMIT NOMINATION FORM TO:

OCEA Awards' Chair 2025 via email: oce@rogers.com

Due Date: March 27, 2025