

**Pickler
Distinguished
Technology
Educator Award**

Showcase a teacher in your school who has infused the curriculum with technology. Share his/her best practices with other teachers in the school system. Help prepare ALL of our students for the 21st Century.

This award is made possible through an endowment to the Shelby County Schools Education Foundation by David A. Pickler, Chairman of the Board of Education.

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Background

The ability to effectively use technology is a critical skill in the 21st century workplace. To help prepare students, teachers in Shelby County Schools are increasingly using technology as a teaching and learning tool. The establishment of an online library of best technology practices will assist teachers by providing models of effective technology infusion across the curriculum.

The David A. Pickler Distinguished Technology Educator Award will recognize teachers each year for innovative uses of technology to meet state content standards. This program will honor teachers for "doable" ideas which can be shared with other teachers. The purpose will be to recognize teachers who regularly use technology to enhance instruction.

Two teachers will be honored, one in grades K-5 and one in grades 6-12. Each of these teachers will receive \$500 to purchase materials for curriculum support. In addition, the winners of this award will be recognized at the annual Teacher of the Year Banquet. A video of examples of each teacher's practices will also be produced and put in a "Best Practices" section of the Shelby County Schools online digital video collection.

Procedure

Each school's Technology Committee will nominate one teacher. This teacher will then complete the Distinguished Technology Educator application and submit it along with student work samples on a CD or DVD.

A district-wide committee will select up to six (6) finalists in each category. Finalists will then be submitted to a committee composed of persons with varied backgrounds, including up to two (2) instructional specialists, one (1) member of the technology staff, a representative from higher education, and a representative of the Shelby County Schools Education Foundation. This committee will select one (1) winner for grades K-5 and one (1) winner for grades 6-12. Honorable mention certificates may be awarded at the discretion of the committee.



Time Line

November, 2007

School selects nominee

January 7, 2008

Nominee submits application and student work to Shelby County Schools Education Foundation

January 21, 2008

Finalists chosen by system-wide committee

January 31, 2008

Winners selected

February 3, 2008 - April 4, 2008

Winners' videos produced

April/May, 2008

Awards presented at SCS Teacher of the Year Banquet

May, 2008 - July, 2008

Videos added to SCS digital library

October, 2008

Winners present at system-wide in-service sessions