

Chinese Language Education Award at MaFLA

I. Award Category

- A. Outstanding New Teacher Award
- B. Outstanding Chinese Teacher Award
- C. Lifetime Achievement Award
- D. Outstanding Advocacy Award
- E. Teaching Service Award

II. Criteria

A. Outstanding New Teacher Award

1. This applicant has been teaching in K-12 public or independent schools for less than 5 years.
2. S/he is currently teaching at a full or a half-time position.
3. S/he must demonstrate excellence and passion in teaching Chinese language and culture.
4. This award consists of a plaque in recognition of his/her excellence in teaching, a scholarship amount that is equivalent to a one-year MaFLA membership and the MaFLA Conference registration fee.

B. Outstanding Chinese Teacher Award

1. This applicant is currently in teaching practice and has held a full-time position for at least 5 years.
2. S/he has demonstrated excellence in teaching Chinese language and culture to students at K-12 schools.
3. This award consists of a plaque in recognition of his/her excellence in teaching and a scholarship amount that is equivalent to a one-year MaFLA membership and the MaFLA Conference registration fee.

C. Lifetime Achievement Award

1. This award recognizes an individual of the Chinese teaching profession who has demonstrated prominent long-term achievement and service to the profession locally, statewide, regionally, and/or nationally.
2. Chinese teachers of PreK-12 in the New England area are eligible to apply for this award.
3. This award consists of a plaque in recognition of his/her lifetime contribution to the field and two luncheon tickets to the Awards Ceremony at MaFLA.

D. Outstanding Advocacy Award

1. This award recognizes an individual or an organization outside of the Chinese teaching field that has made a significant contribution and service to the K-12 Chinese teaching profession.

2. The nominee must be instrumental in performing advocacy functions in supporting the teaching of K-12 Chinese programs.
3. This award consists of a plaque in recognition of his/her advocacy in promoting the teaching and learning of Chinese and two luncheon tickets to the Awards Ceremony at MaFLA.

E. Teaching Service Award

1. This awardee(s) has/have committed to teaching Chinese language and culture and has/have made a milestone this year for the 10th-, 15th- and 20th- year in either a public or private school.
2. This award consists of a personalized certificate recognizing the years of service in the field of Chinese language teaching.

III. Nomination

A. Outstanding New Teacher Award

1. Self-nomination or nomination by others (school administrators, etc.) are accepted.
2. A cover letter of personal info and a current CV.
3. A recommendation letter from candidate's direct supervisor.
4. A one-page professional statement regarding Chinese teaching philosophy and approach, and students' learning outcome.
5. Awardee will be decided by the Award Committee.

B. Outstanding Chinese Teacher Award

1. Self-nomination or nomination by others (school administrators, colleagues, etc.) are accepted.
2. A cover letter of personal info and a current CV.
3. A letter of recommendation from nominee's direct supervisor.
4. A one-page professional statement of teaching philosophy, approaches of teaching culture, and students' learning outcome.
5. Awardee will be decided by the Award Committee.

C. Lifetime Achievement Award

1. Nomination from the field.
2. Awardee will be decided by the Award Committee.

D. Outstanding Advocacy Award

1. Nomination from the field.
2. Awardee will be decided by the Award Committee.

E. Teaching Service Award

1. Self-nomination
2. A written document of years of service from the school.