

Alameda Unified Teacher of the Year Program Launch

November 13, 2018



Teacher of the Year (ToY) Program

- Designed to honor and recognize excellent teachers working for the Alameda Unified School District
- Alameda's ToY program modeled after Alameda County ToY and State ToY requirements
- Families, students, staff, and community members encouraged to nominate teachers

Teacher of the Year (ToY) Program

- Nomination forms are available online and at school sites
- Qualified nominees advance to the next phase, which includes an application process and submission of letters of support by nominee
- Selected finalists will be observed and interviewed by the Selection Committee

Teacher of the Year (ToY) Program

- Alameda's Teacher of the Year will be formally introduced at the Board Meeting in May
- Alameda's Teacher of the Year will advance and participate in Alameda County Teacher of the Year Program in October

Teacher of the Year Timeline

November: Teacher of the Year Launch

December: Nominations Due

February: Selection of Finalists

April: Observe and Interview Finalists

May: Formally Introduce Alameda Unified's
Teacher of the Year

Mary Otieku Bay Farm School 2018 AUSD Teacher of the Year



Mary Otieku

“Teaching is in my blood. My grandmother was a teacher, my grandfather was a geology professor at Stanford and UCLA, and my mother was an elementary school teacher. It is what I am meant to be doing.”



Kevin Gorham

2017 AUSD Teacher
of the Year

2017 Alameda
County Teacher of
the Year

Encinal Jr. & Sr.
High School



Amanda Cline



2016 AUSD
Teacher of the
Year

Ruby Bridges
Elementary School

Teacher of the Year Selection Committee

- Amanda Cline, 2016 Teacher of the Year
- Kevin Gorham, 2017 Teacher of the Year
- Cammie Harris, Wood Principal
- Judith Klinger, AEA President
- Mary Otieku, 2018 Teacher of the Year
- Page Tomblin, PTA Council President
- Jennifer Williams, Board Member
- Sandy Wong, HR Coordinator