



Thornton Fractional
HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 215
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Excellence Counts Awards

District 215 has an array of committed individuals – certified and support staff, parents, and community members - who work unselfishly to make our schools and district successful. Unfortunately, these individuals do not always receive the praise and recognition that they deserve.



Excellence Counts is an award presented by the District 215 Board of Education to recognize individuals who have impacted the lives of our students, both in and out of the classroom. Our award, **Excellence Counts**, provides a way for district staff, parents, students, and community members to nominate and honor those people who contributed to the success of District 215. At each regular monthly meeting, the Board of Education will publicly acknowledge and honor **Excellence Counts** nominees for their work.

Nomination Guidelines

Do you know someone who is deserving of an Excellence Counts award? If so, please complete a nomination form. Below is a list of tips that the reviewing committee has identified to help you with your submission.

- Excellence Counts nomination forms are available in the main offices of each building and can be downloaded from the District 215 webpage (www.tfd215.org).
- The reviewers may not know your nominee except through your nomination. The reviewers are relying on your words and specific examples to appreciate the strength of your nominee's contributions.
- Be sure to select an Area of Excellence (Innovation, Enthusiasm, Dedication, Citizenship) AND a Category (Classroom, Student Services, School Environment, Ancillary Programs).
- Provide a list of individuals nominated if nominating a group or members of an organization.



Excellence Counts Nomination Form

Nominee's Name:		
Nominee's Position:		
Nominee's Location: (Check one)	<input type="checkbox"/> North	<input type="checkbox"/> Center
	<input type="checkbox"/> South	<input type="checkbox"/> Administration Center

Areas of Excellence (You may choose more than one area)

<input type="checkbox"/> Innovation	Nominees are thinkers and doers, people who have discovered new paths to excellence and have implemented a plan to achieve that excellence.
<input type="checkbox"/> Enthusiasm	Nominees bring a positive and productive perspective to District 215. They build morale within groups or organizations, have an upbeat outlook that energize those around them, and inspire others with their actions, attitude, and personality.
<input type="checkbox"/> Dedication	Nominees take great pride in their work, consistently serve others through their unyielding commitment to District 215. In some ways, they are the unsung heroes because their service has been consistently outstanding for so long that it may have been overlooked.
<input type="checkbox"/> Citizenship	Nominees have made important contributions that benefit the entire school community. They have fostered cooperation, collaboration, and communication. They have committed their time and energy to working with others to improve and enhance District 215.

Category

<input type="checkbox"/> Classroom	Educators who go above and beyond.
<input type="checkbox"/> Student Services	Individuals who work directly with students but outside of the classroom setting (e.g. deans, guidance counselors, social workers, secretaries)
<input type="checkbox"/> School Environment	Individuals who contribute and maintain a safe and healthy school climate (e.g. custodial staff, cafeteria workers, dean's assistants)
<input type="checkbox"/> Ancillary Programs	School-related programs that offer assistance to students and related programs (e.g. PTSA, PTA, booster clubs)

Briefly describe below how the nominee(s) has positively impacted District 215.

Nominator Information	
Nominator's Name:	
Nominator's Position & Location: (if applicable)	
Nominator's Address:	
Nominator's Signature	
Date	

Please return completed Excellence Counts Nomination Forms to

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