** 2020 Regional Teacher of the Year (TOY) Guidelines**

Timeline

**Feb. 1** Districts should begin process to select their own District TOY.

**March 1** **DEADLINE**, for districts to submit the name of their District TOY to:

 Sherry Dickerson at:

 sherry.dickerson@state.sd.us

 All submitted District TOY winners will be invited to submit a Region Application

**March 15** **DEADLINE** to submit all Regional Teacher of the Year

Application to SD DOE. Applications should be

 Submitted to:

 Department of Education

 Attn: Sherry Dickerson

 800 Governors Drive

 Pierre, SD 57501

 Sherry.dickerson@state.sd.us

**April 5** Region TOYs will be announced. Regional TOYS will be notified locally and asked to complete the 2020 South Dakota Teacher of the Year Application and send a hard copy and an electronic version to the Department of Education.

**May** Regional TOYs will be announced Statewide the first full week of May during Teacher Appreciation Week.

**June 28 DEADLINE** to submit the Teacher of the Year State Application packet. Applications should be sent to:

 Department of Education

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**July 24 State Teacher of the Year Selection Day in Pierre**

 All required forms are available online at <http://doe.sd.gov/oatq/teacheroftheyear.aspx>.

Sherry Dickerson by email at sherry.dickerson@state.sd.us

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