## WOEA Teacher of the Year Award

**WOEA Teacher of the Year Award** – WOEA will present the Teacher of the Year Award to a WOEA member whose activities reflect the contributions in public education. Recipients will receive a monetary award in the amount of \$250 at the annual dinner in December. The purpose of the WOEA Teacher of the Year Award is to honor, promote and celebrate excellence in teaching and the teaching profession and recognize an individual who shows outstanding accomplishments in the following areas:

- 1. Professional Biography/Practice: What were the factors that influenced the nominee to become a teacher? Describe what you consider the nominee's greatest contributions and accomplishments in education, including one example from the individual's school.
- **2.** Philosophy of Teaching and Teaching Profession: (A) Describe the nominee's personal feelings, beliefs and philosophy about teaching, (B) What does the nominee do to strengthen and improve the teaching profession?
- **3.** Community Involvement: Describe the nominee's commitment to his/her community through service-oriented activities such as volunteer work, civic responsibilities, and other group activities.
- **4.** Education issues and Trends: What does the nominee consider to be the major public education issues today?
- **5.** Advocacy and Association Involvement: In what ways does the nominee serve as an advocate in the day-to-day education process, for members, for the profession and for public education? Has the nominee's involvement in WOEA contributed to his/her success as a professional? How would he/she persuade a new colleague to join or become more active in the association?
- **6.** Personal Achievement: How has involvement in Association and community activities enabled the nominee to meet his/her own personal goals? What advice would the nominee give to someone entering the teaching profession?
- **7.** Individual must have been a WOEA member for at least one licensure cycle as of the application date.

This award is given to an individual recommended by the members of the Awards committee. Nominations are accepted through November 1 each year. Anyone may nominate by completing the appropriate nomination form.