



SEPTEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

Great Teachers. Successful Students. Prosperous Community.

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Submit Raytheon Leaders in Education Award applications by Sept. 11



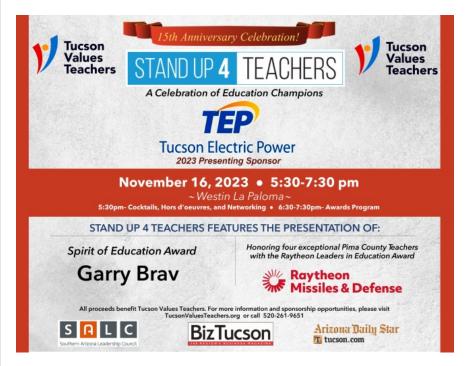
This is the final week to submit your <u>Raytheon Leaders in Education Award</u> application! **Winning teachers receive \$2,500! Finalists receive \$500 each!** PreK-12 teachers in Pima County are eligible to apply.

This award recognizes the contributions of exceptionally skilled and dedicated teachers. Winners and finalists will be recognized at our annual Stand Up 4 Teachers event on Nov. 16 at the Westin La Paloma.

Applications are due by midnight on September 11.

View the application

Stand Up 4 Teachers on Nov. 16 at Westin La Paloma



Join us for our 15th Anniversary celebration!

Stand Up 4 Teachers, presented by Tucson Electric Power, will be held at the Westin La Paloma on November 16 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. In addition to honoring four exceptional Pima County teachers with the Raytheon Leaders in Education Award, we'll honor Garry Brav with the Spirit of Education Award.

Individual tickets are \$75 each. Cocktails and networking begins at 5:30pm. The program will begin promptly at 6:30pm.

Event Page



Sponsorship Opportunities Available!

Be an education champion by sponsoring Stand Up 4 Teachers!

Review our Sponsorship Opportunities to learn about the different levels of support and the benefits to your business.

You can also support teachers by making a <u>personal donation</u> or joining us at the event by <u>purchasing</u> <u>individuals tickets!</u>

Learn More

Congratulations to our Tucson Supplies Teachers winners





Tucson Supplies Teachers registration has officially ended! Be sure to check your email (including your spam folder) to see if you are one of our winners. Remember, if you're selected, you'll receive a \$100 gift certificate to Jonathan's Educational Resources!



Thank you to the following community members and businesses who contributed to Tucson Supplies Teachers:

Allen Kinnison

Brenda Glass

Charles Goorman

Susan Willis

NOVA Home Loans

Rincon Rotary Club

Tierra Antigua Realty

It's not too late to make a <u>donation</u> to Tucson Supplies Teachers! We'll draw additional teacher winners if more funding is available.

Maximize your Arizona State Retirement System benefits



Do you contribute to the Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS)? Do you know how your future benefits will be calculated?

This workshop for early- and mid-career educators will provide a tutorial on ASRS and tips for maximizing this valuable component of your retirement plan.

October 4, 2023 4pm to 5pm Virtual via Zoom

Register

This program is co-sponsored by Tucson Values Teachers and the University of Arizona Office of Economic Education. Four classroom teachers will win a \$50 Amazon gift card!

Nominate a teacher for the Teacher Excellence Award



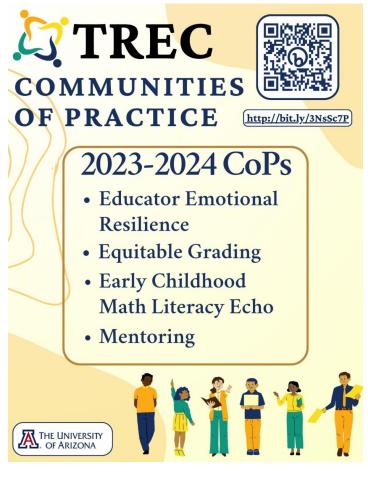
Do you know an excellent teacher? We're currently accepting nominations for our Teacher Excellence Award!

Each month we select one teacher who will receive the award, \$250 cash courtesy of <u>Helios Education Foundation</u>, a \$100 gift card for classroom supplies, and a surprise presentation.

All PreK-12 Southern Arizona teachers can be nominated for the award by students, parents, colleagues, and community members. Nominations are accepted throughout the school year.

Nominate a teacher

TREC Communities of Practice



Don't miss out on your chance to join a TREC Community of Practice for this year! CoPs meet monthly about topics important to you and are free to join, with all materials and texts provided. Come connect with like-minded educators, build community, and access a wealth of support for your work!

The TREC CoP's kick off this month and are semester- to year-long programs, led by TREC Teacher Leaders. Each CoP will meet at least once a month either in-person, virtually, or a combination of the two. CoPs are free to join, with all materials and texts provided.

Learn More & Register

2023-2024 TREC CoPs:

- Educator Emotional Resilience
- Early Childhood Math Literacy
- Equitable Grading
- Mentoring

Make sure to <u>create a profile</u> on the TREC website! Educators in <u>partner districts</u> and/or early childhood educators can register for *free*. TVT offers scholarships to those who do not qualify for a free profile! Reach out to Alicia Durbin <u>adurbin@arizona.edu</u> with any questions.

Professional Development Training Opportunities



Children's Advocacy Center of Southern Arizona offers free community outreach and professional development training opportunities for schools and educators.

Trainings are free to the community and available in-person or virtually. They include:

- Adverse Childhood Experiences
- Mandated Reporting
- Mandated Supporting
- Protective Factors for Strengthening Families
- Psychological First Aid
- Resilience Film Showing
- Safe Sleep
- Toxic Stress and Trauma-Informed Care
- Trauma-Informed Care

For more information about these trainings, contact Sarah M. Reed at 520-724-2193 or sreed@soazadvocacy.org.

Learn More

Upcoming Events and Deadlines

- Applications for the <u>Raytheon Leaders in Education Award</u> are due by September 11.
- Purchase tickets to see the <u>Bored Teachers Comedy Tour</u> at the Rialto Theatre on <u>September 15</u>.
- Celebrate <u>Legendary Teacher Day</u> on **September 28**.
- Register for the October 4 <u>Arizona State Retirement System workshop</u>.
- Purchase tickets to <u>Stand Up 4 Teachers</u>, scheduled for **November 16**, 2023 at the Westin La Paloma.
- Submit <u>Teacher Excellence Award</u> nominations all year long to help us recognize outstanding PreK-12 Southern Arizona teachers.



Receive Support from a Teacher Mentor

Tucson Values Teachers offers a FREE mentorship program to all PreK-12 teachers looking for additional support and guidance from teacher leaders with many years of experience.

APPLY NOW



Professional Development Scholarships Available

Southern Arizona Pre-K teachers may apply for a scholarship of up to \$250 to help pay tuition, registration fees, or materials related to a PD conference or workshop.

APPLY NOW



Save with the Teacher Discount Card

Visit the Teacher Discount Card page to sign up for the 2023 card and to learn more about our business partners and the special discounts they offer for educators.

LEARN MORE

Vision:

Great Teachers. Successful Students. Prosperous Community.

Mission:

To inspire support of PreK-12 teachers in Southern Arizona through community collaborations that attract, retain, and celebrate teacher excellence.



TVT partners with ODP Business Solutions

ODP Business Solutions provides access to discounted supplies, equipment, and technology, providing Southern Arizona teachers with increased access to essential resources.

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