

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN | MICHIGAN LAWYERS' AUXILIARY *Crystal Apple Award*

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Dear principals, teachers, and students in Michigan schools:

The Michigan Lawyers' Auxiliary sponsors the annual Crystal Apple Award to recognize a teacher who has made outstanding contributions to law-related education. The winner, spouse, and principal are invited to attend the annual Law Day Luncheon on May 1, 2009, at the Hall of Justice in Lansing to be honored and receive the statewide award. The winner of the Michigan award will then be entered in the national American Lawyers Auxiliary contest for the Teacher of the Year Award, awarded at the ABA/ALA annual convention in August 2009. Brian Stevens, Coldwater High School, Coldwater, Michigan, was Michigan's Crystal Apple winner in 2005 and national ALA winner in the high school category. Visit http://www.abanet.org/ala/award_winners.html for more information about ALA winners.

The "Crystal Apple Award" entry form is available at <http://www.michbar.org/programs/lawday/>, the Law Day section of the State Bar of Michigan website, or use the form below. Photos of past winners and past Law Day luncheons can be viewed at <http://community.webshots.com/user/fmaunique/1>.

Please take this opportunity to honor a dedicated teacher in this special way.

Sincerely,

Francile Anderson, MLA Award Chair

2009 Crystal Apple Award ENTRY FORM

The award recognizes teachers who have made outstanding contributions to law-related education and whose programs and activities have:

- furthered the understanding of students of the role of the courts, law enforcement agencies, and the legal profession in our society;
- helped students recognize their duties and their rights;
- encouraged effective law-related education programs in their schools and communities; and
- increased communication between students, educators, and those involved professionally in the legal system.

Nominations may be made by a school administrator, coordinator, director, teacher, student, or any interested party.

►**Deadline:** entries must be postmarked by **March 1, 2009**. Entries may be submitted any time during the year until March 1, 2009.

►**Mail to:** Francile Anderson, Michigan Lawyers Auxiliary, 2570 Silverside, Waterford, MI 48328

Participation Category: Elementary Middle School High School

Teacher's Name: _____ Grade(s): _____ Principal: _____

School Name: _____ Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ School Phone: _____ School E-mail: _____

Information to Include and Guidelines:

Submit nomination on a single (8½ x 11) letter-size sheet of paper front and back. Include the following information: List law-related program(s) and/or activity(ies) teacher has used. Note the length of time the teacher has been involved in law-related education. Specify the number of students involved. Explain how this teacher's ability and efforts help to educate students to be effective, law-abiding, engaged citizens able to manage conflict constructively to sustain and foster a free, democratic society.

Nominator's Name: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____