

Better Beginnings Award

Nominate A Teacher!

The spirit of the award is that better beginnings make stronger completions.

Purpose: The Better Beginnings Award celebrates the life and career of Helen Bach Moss, a New York State Educator who passed away in 1988. The award recognizes elementary teachers who are gifted in finding and nurturing the strengths of each student and fostering trusting relationships among pupils, parents, teachers, and administrators. The 2019 Better Beginning awardee receives \$5,000 with an award of \$1,000 to the awardee's school. Second and third place applicants receive \$1,000 awards.

Eligibility: The nominee must be currently teaching at the elementary level (PreK-6) in a New York State public or private school, and be appropriately credentialed in New York State.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.nysed.gov/postsecondary-services/helen-bach-moss-memorial-better-beginnings-award> **to learn more about the Better Beginnings Award and to nominate a teacher today!**

Nomination Packet Deadline: Friday, February 28, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

Email the completed nomination packet with “BBA Nomination**” in the subject line to:**
Elena.bruno@nysed.gov

OR

Mail the nomination packet to:

**NYS Education Department
Office of Higher Education
89 Washington Avenue
Attention: Better Beginnings EB 5N
Albany, NY 12234**

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