



George Ermellini Literacy Award Description



History

This award honours the memory of George Ermellini, a dedicated and much-loved TCDSB educator, well known for his commitment to the promotion of literacy within elementary schools. George served as teacher and principal at several TCDSB elementary schools. In 1985, he worked on Special Assignment in the Board's Curriculum and Special Services Department. His particular commitment to students with special needs is well known. From 1987 to his retirement in 1996, George served as Superintendent of Education. He worked tirelessly with schools across the system and in addition found time to serve on many board, archdiocesan, community and government committees. George is remembered for his warm smile and faith in his fellow educators - a faith that challenged and inspired all with whom he worked.

Description of Award

The George Ermellini Literacy Award is a special fund administered through The Angel Foundation for Learning to support innovative programs in family literacy within elementary schools across the TCDSB. A grant of \$500 will be awarded each year.

Criteria

This award will be granted to an elementary school in the Toronto Catholic District School Board based on the following criteria:

- ✓ The family literacy program focuses on primary children and is supported by the local school community;
- ✓ The program is consistent with the philosophy of the TCDSB; and
- ✓ Support for the program and its provider are evident.

Selection Process

The selection will be approved by the Board of Directors of The Angel Foundation for Learning, upon the recommendation of the review committee. This committee will include members of the Ermellini family. The selected school will be notified shortly after the application deadline. Selected schools must wait 3 years before applying again. The Angel Foundation for Learning will issue a cheque up to \$500 made payable to the successful school once we have received the receipts and/or the invoice for the materials requested.

Donations to the George Ermellini Literacy Award

May be sent to The Angel Foundation for Learning, 80 Sheppard Avenue East, Toronto, Ontario, M2N 6E8. Donations may also be made through our website at www.angelfoundationforlearning.org. Tax receipts will be issued for any donation of \$20.00 or more.

Contact Person

For further information contact:

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George Ermellini Literacy Award Application Form



Section A: Applicant Information

Name of School: _____ Date: _____

Section B: Project Proposal (Complete in detail, including additional pages if necessary.)

1. What are your school's objectives for the use of these funds?

2. List any materials that may be purchased. (Publisher, cost, description; add additional information as required)

3. Rationale: Which students will benefit from this award and how will the materials promote family literacy?

Permission is granted to publish the name and photos of the winning school on print and electronic media, including both internal and external publications and sites.

Name of Principal: _____ Signature: _____

Applicant: _____ Signature: _____

Email: _____

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Email your completed application package to: angel.foundation@tcdsb.org, or mail to The Angel Foundation for Learning, CEC, 80 Sheppard Ave. East, Toronto, ON, M2N 6E8.

Application Due Date: Friday, May 14, 2021