



Educator-of-the-Year Nominees

The Nominating Committee for the Educator-of-the-Year Event has announced the outstanding individuals who will represent Kaneland District #302 in the upcoming Kane County 2026 Educator-of-the-Year Awards. This year's honorees include:



Classroom Middle School Educator

Margaret Pacana
6th Grade ELA



Classroom High School Educator

Dominic Bruno
English KHS



Educational Service Personnel

Rudo Muzorewa-Hughes
Receptionist KHMS



Early Career Educator

Abigail Bowers
7th Grade Science KHMS



Classroom Elem./Early Childhood Teacher

Gail Payton
Technology Teacher KSS



Student Support Personnel

Stacie Salzman
MTSS Teacher KME

These remarkable educators and staff have made significant contributions to the Kaneland community, and we couldn't be prouder to recognize their hard work and dedication. To complete the nomination process, we invite all members of our Kaneland family: staff, parents, students, and community members, to submit letters of support for these nominees. Please share your thoughts and experiences with them by 3:00 PM on Saturday, January 31, 2026.

A list of contacts for Letters of Support can be found in the full Press Release is available on our website:

[Letters of Nomination Address Information & Full Press Release](#)