

**Chief Executive's Award for Teaching Excellence  
2025/2026  
Q & A**

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(I) General Questions

**1. What are the themes / awards of the Chief Executive's Award for Teaching Excellence (2025/2026)?**

CEATE (2025/2026) covers three themes and two awards, namely Physical Education Key Learning Area (KLA), STEAM Education, Curriculum Leadership, Award for Budding Teachers and Award for Education Innovation.

**2. What is the nomination period for the Chief Executive's Award for Teaching Excellence 2025/2026?**

Nominations will be accepted from 7 July 2025 to 3 October 2025. For nominations submitted by post, the postmark date will be taken as the submission date.

**3. Where may I obtain the nomination form?**

Nominees can fill in and submit Part A of the Nomination Form via GovHK (<https://eform.one.gov.hk/form/edb021/en/>). Upon successful submission, the system will be directed to the “Acknowledgement” page. Please download and print the submitted form on this page, and quote the system-generated reference number for all future correspondence with the CEATE Secretariat. Nominees should download the Nomination Form from the CEATE website ([www.ate.gov.hk](http://www.ate.gov.hk)). Nominees who submitted Part A via GovHK are required to fill in Part B only.

**4. How should I submit the nomination?**

Nomination materials should be submitted in person or by post, to the CEATE Secretariat at Room 1107, 11/F., Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong **on or before 3 October 2025**. For nominations submitted by post, the postmark date will be used as the submission date. Reference number of the submitted e-Form should be quoted on the cover of the envelope, if applicable.

**5. Does CEATE 2025/2026 accept group nominations?**

Nominations for the Physical Education KLA, STEAM Education, Curriculum Leadership, and Education Innovation Award can be submitted for individuals or groups (up to five teachers). The Award for Budding Teachers accepts only individual nominations.

**6. Can teacher participate in more than one nomination?**

No. Each nominee can be nominated once only at this CEATE (Physical Education KLA, STEAM Education, Curriculum Leadership, Budding Teachers or Education Innovation), irrespective of individual or group nomination.

**7. How many teachers can be nominated for each school?**

Each school may nominate up to one teacher for the Award for Budding Teachers and up to one teacher or one group for the Education Innovation Award.

There are no nomination limits for Physical Education KLA, STEAM Education, and Curriculum Leadership.

**8. Are school principals eligible for nomination?**

Principals are not eligible for nomination.

**9. Must teachers be nominated by the school principal?**

For the themes of Physical Education KLA, STEAM Education, Curriculum Leadership, and Award for Education Innovation:

The school principals of the nominee(s)' current schools should either be the nominators or the seconders of the nominations.

For the Award for Budding Teachers:

The school principals of the nominee's current school should be the nominators of the nominations.

The school principals are encouraged to support their teachers, if awarded, in organising and participating in the dissemination and sharing activities for teaching practices within one year after being awarded

**10. Can teachers who were awarded in the previous CEATEs be nominated again?**

For the themes of Physical Education KLA, STEAM Education, Curriculum Leadership, and Award for Education Innovation:

Teachers who were awarded in the previous CEATEs (including Certificate of Merit, Award for Budding Teachers and Award for Education Innovation) may also be nominated if they meet the above criteria for “Physical Education KLA”, “STEAM Education”, “Curriculum Leadership” and “Education Innovation”. However, such nominations would only be considered if the teaching practices are substantially different from the one(s).

For Award for Budding Teachers:

Teachers who were awarded in the previous CEATEs (including Certificate of Merit, Award for Budding Teachers and Award for Education Innovation) will not be considered for nomination.

**11. Are kindergarten teachers eligible for nomination in this year's Teaching Awards (2025/2026)?**

Kindergarten teachers are eligible for nomination in the theme of Curriculum Leadership, Award for Budding Teachers, and Award for Education Innovation.

(Remark: “Kindergartens” include kindergarten cum child care centres and schools with kindergarten classes)

**12. Can Teachers who are not permanent residents of Hong Kong be nominated?**

Teachers who are not permanent residents of Hong Kong can also be nominated if they meet the criteria stated in the Nomination Guidelines.

**13. When will I know the results of the awards?**

Adhering to the principle of confidentiality and fairness, once the assessment procedures have started, the CEATE Secretariat will not respond to any enquiries regarding the decision of the assessment until the assessment results have been announced publicly.

**14. How can I contact the Secretariat for further enquiries?**

For enquiries, please call 2892 5782 or e-mail to [ate@edb.gov.hk](mailto:ate@edb.gov.hk).

## (II) Physical Education KLA, STEAM Education and Curriculum Leadership

### 1. **Who are the targets of the three themes?**

#### (a) Physical Education KLA

Teachers of primary, secondary and special schools who teach subjects under the Physical Education KLA<sup>1</sup>;

#### (b) STEAM Education

Teachers of primary, secondary and special schools who teach subjects under the STEAM Education; and

#### (c) Curriculum Leadership

Teachers of kindergartens<sup>2</sup>, primary, secondary and special schools who play a leading role in the whole-school curriculum planning and implementation.

### 2. **What do I need to submit for nomination?**

Nomination materials include -

- (a) One original copy and two sets of printed copy of the completed and signed Nomination Form (Part A and Part B)
- (b) Three sets of printed copy of the Reflection of Teaching Practices and the outline of the lesson video clip
- (c) Three sets of printed copy of the outline of additional video clip, if any
- (d) USB flash drive which stores the materials below -
  - (i) Reason(s) of nominating / seconding in “pdf” format
  - (ii) Reflection of Teaching Practices in Word format
  - (iii) Video clip of the lesson (unedited, continuous and authentic,

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<sup>1</sup> Nominees for PE KLA should have completed subject-training in PE. If there is any doubt about personal qualifications, advice should be sought from respective District School Development Section via schools. For details, please refer to the following webpage:  
[https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/kla/pe/PE\\_Teacher\\_Qualification/index.html](https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/kla/pe/PE_Teacher_Qualification/index.html)

<sup>2</sup> Including kindergarten-cum-child care centres and schools with kindergarten classes.

recorded on or after 1 September 2024), with relevant outline

- (iv) Year plan/teaching schedule of all levels in the 2024/25 school year on the themes relevant to the nominations
- (v) For nomination under STEAM Education and Curriculum Leadership, additional video clip (recorded on or after 1 September 2024) and relevant outline, if any
- (vi) Supplementary information and its index page, if any

**THREE sets of printed copy** (item (a) should be original copy, (b) and (c)) **and ONE set of USB flash drive** (item (d)) of the abovementioned nomination materials should be submitted in person or by post, to the **CEATE Secretariat at Room 1107, 11/F., Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong** on or before **3 October 2025**. For nominations submitted by post, the postmark date will be used as the submission date. Reference number of the submitted e-Form should be quoted on the cover of the envelope, if applicable.

For details, please refer to para. 7.1 of part A of Nomination Guideline.

### (III) Award for Budding Teachers

#### **1. Who are eligible for the nomination?**

The following teachers are eligible for nomination in CEATE (2025/2026):

- (a) Nominees should be registered under the Education Ordinance, Cap. 279 (except those who are exempted under Section 9(1)(a) of the Ordinance) as Registered Teachers;
- (b) Immediately before the close of nomination, nominees should have at least 3 years (but not more than 8 years) of full-time teaching experience in local schools offering a local curriculum and should be full-time teachers who teach in local schools offering a local curriculum in the 2025/26 school year; and
- (c) The words and deeds of the nominees should adhere to the standards of professional conduct of teachers and there are no records of their professional misconduct and punishment imposed by the Education Bureau and/or schools.

#### **2. What materials should be submitted for nomination?**

Nomination materials include -

- (a) One set of original copy and two sets of printed copy of completed and signed Nomination Form (Part A and Part B)
- (b) Three sets of printed copy of the Reflection of Teaching Practices and the outline of the lesson video clip
- (c) The USB flash drive which stores the materials below -
  - (i) Reasons of nominating/ seconding in “pdf” format
  - (ii) Reflection of Teaching Practices in Word format
  - (iii) Video clip of the lesson (unedited, continuous and authentic, recorded on or after 1 September 2024), with relevant outline
  - (iv) Year plan/teaching schedule of all levels for the subjects taught by the nominee in the 2024/25 school year
  - (v) Supplementary information and its index page, if any

**THREE sets of printed copies** (items (a) should be original copy and (b)) **and ONE set of USB flash drive** (item (c)) of the abovementioned nomination materials should be submitted, in person or by post, to the **CEATE Secretariat at Room 1107, 11/F, Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong** on or before **3 October 2025**. For nominations submitted by post, the postmark date will be taken as the submission date. Reference number of the submitted e-Form should be quoted on the cover of the envelope, if applicable.

For details, please refer to para. 6.1 of part B of Nomination Guideline.



#### (IV) Education Innovation

##### **1. Who are eligible for the nomination?**

Both individual and group nominations are accepted. The following teachers are eligible for nomination in CEATE (2025/2026):

- (a) Nominees should be registered under the Education Ordinance, Cap. 279 (except those who are exempted under Section 9(1)(a) of the Ordinance) as Registered Teachers;
- (b) Immediately before the close of nomination, nominees should have at least three consecutive years of full-time teaching experience in local schools offering a local curriculum, and should be full-time teachers teaching a local curriculum in local schools in the 2025/26 school year; For group nominations, at least half of the members of the group should meet this criterion; and
- (c) The words and deeds of the nominees should adhere to the standards of professional conduct of teachers and there are no records of their professional misconduct and punishment imposed by the Education Bureau and/or schools.

##### **2. What materials should be submitted for nomination?**

Nomination materials include -

- (a) One original copy and two sets of printed copy of completed and signed Nomination Form (Part A and Part B)
- (b) Three sets of printed copy of the Reflection of Teaching Practices and the outline of the lesson video clip
- (c) Three sets of printed copy of the outline of the programmes or activities, if any
- (d) USB flash drive which stores the materials below -
  - (i) Reason(s) of nominating/seconding in “pdf” format
  - (ii) Reflection of Teaching Practices in Word format
  - (iii) Video clip of the lesson (unedited, continuous and authentic, recorded on or after 1 September 2024), with relevant outline
  - (iv) Year plan/teaching schedule of all levels relevant to the nomination in the 2024/25 school year

- (v) Video clip and outline of the programmes or activities (recording date is not restricted and can be edited), if any
- (vi) Supplementary information and its index page, if any

**THREE sets of printed copies** (items (a) should be original, (b) and (c)) **and ONE set of USB flash drive** (item (d)) of the abovementioned nomination materials should be submitted, in person or by post, to the **CEATE Secretariat at Room 1107, 11/F, Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong** on or before 3 October 2025. For nominations submitted by post, the postmark date will be taken as the submission date. Reference number of the submitted e-Form should be quoted on the cover of the envelope, if applicable.

For details, please refer to para. 6.1 of part C of Nomination Guideline.