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**ALABAMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ANNOUNCES
2025-2026 ALABAMA TEACHER OF THE YEAR THIS EVENING**

Jackie Zeigler
District I

WHAT:

- The 2025-2026 Alabama Teacher of the Year and Alternate State Teacher of the Year will be officially announced during this special event and awards ceremony.

Tracie West
District II

WHEN:

- 6 p.m., until 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 7, 2025

Kelly Mooney
District III

WHERE:

- The Alabama Shakespeare Festival
One Festival Drive, Montgomery, Alabama 36117

Yvette M. Richardson, Ed.D.
District IV

WHO:

- Finalists for Alabama Teacher of the Year
- Alabama State Board of Education members
- State officials, local educators, dignitaries, and top community leaders

Tonya S. Chestnut, Ed.D.
District V
Vice President

Marie Manning
District VI
President Pro Tem

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Alabama Teacher of the Year (TOY) Program is one of our state's oldest and most esteemed awards programs.

Wayne Reynolds, Ed.D.
District VIII

This year's finalists have been selected from a group of more than 150 highly skilled educators. The Alabama Teacher of the Year spends the school year serving as a spokesperson for education statewide and the teaching profession. The Teacher of the Year also represents Alabama for the National Teacher of the Year Award.

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