



# Boy Scouts of America

## Greater Los Angeles Area Council

Dear Friend of Scouting,

Thank you for your interest in the Elbert K. Fretwell Outstanding Educator Award. The Greater Los Angeles Area Council participates in awarding this distinctive recognition to deserving individuals on behalf of the National Council of Boy Scouts of America.

The Fretwell Award is presented by local Scouters to teachers, educational support staff, and school administrators in the Los Angeles area who stand out from their professional peers in instilling Scouting values in their students. The award is presented in memory of Dr. Elbert K. Fretwell, who was a professor of education at Columbia University, an early thinker in the Scouting movement, and the second Chief Scout Executive of the BSA (1943-1948).

An individual working at any level of education, from primary or elementary school to college, may be deserving of this award. It is not exclusively for classroom teachers. Instead, any school employee who is endeavoring to use his or her influence on students to make moral and ethical choices is eligible for the Fretwell Award. This includes teachers, administrators, support staff, resource officers, teaching aides, and others. Unlike other awards presented to outstanding volunteers who serve as registered adult leaders in Scouting, the Fretwell Award is intended to recognize the contribution that educators of diverse responsibilities in schools make to youth through their professional roles. A nominee need not be a registered Scouter.

Anyone who is knowledgeable of a prospective Fretwell awardee may make the initial nomination, as well as be the person to complete the secondary nomination required for consideration. For example, nominations may be made by a candidate's colleague, an administrator, a student, a parent, a school employee who has a different role in the school, current Scouters (registered adult BSA leaders), a faith leader in the community, or others.

The Fretwell Award consists of a certificate and letter of commendation from the Greater Los Angeles Area Council. Often, presentation is made at the recipient's school.

The next page contains the instructions for nominations. We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours in Scouting,

**Ross Arnold**

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Chair, Fretwell Award Committee

Elbert K. Fretwell Outstanding Educator Award

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## Nomination Instructions

Here's what to do:

*Requirements of nominees:* Any person working in education at any level and in any type of responsibility can be nominated for this distinguished award. The basic requirement of nominees is evidence of contributing to the moral and ethical development of youth in their community through their responsibilities as educators, support staff, administrators, or other positions.

*Requirements of nominators:* Anyone who is knowledgeable of the contributions of a prospective nominee may initiate or second a nomination. That includes teachers, co-workers, or administrators at the nominee's schools, current or past parents of students, current or past students, faith leaders familiar with the nominee's school contributions, and others.

*Nominator #1:* Complete the initial nomination form. Select and ask another person who is knowledgeable of the nominee to complete the seconding form and provide that person with the

*Nominator #2:* Complete the seconding nomination form.

Both completed forms must be returned to Ross Arnold either electronically at: [Rossarnold1213@gmail.com](mailto:Rossarnold1213@gmail.com) or mailed to the Fretwell Award Committee, c/o Ross Arnold, Chairman, 1910 N. Van Ness Ave., Los Angeles, California 900268.

One or both nominators will be contacted by members of the Fretwell Award Committee for a brief follow-up telephone interview.

A successful nominee will be contacted by the Fretwell Award Committee to arrange for a presentation of the award.

If you have any questions, please contact Ross Arnold at the above email address or call him at 323 605-2740.

**Nomination Form #1 (Initial Nomination)**

Date of Nomination:

**NAME OF NOMINEE:**

Your Name:

*Your Contact Information*

Daytime Telephone:

Evening Telephone:

Email:

*Your Relationship to Nominee*

\_\_\_ Colleague or Administrator

\_\_\_ Parent of Current/Past Student

\_\_\_ Current or Past Student

\_\_\_ Faith Leader Familiar with Nominee

\_\_\_ Other: (Please Specify)

*Who Is Providing the Second Nomination?*

Name:

*About the Nominee*

Name of school and district:

Name of direct supervisor and title:

Supervisor's Contact information:

Please respond to the following questions. Your responses to these questions will be used in the recognition letter from signed by the Greater Los Angeles Area Council Scout Executive and read at the award presentation.

Describe how the nominee prepares students to make ethical and moral choices. Be as specific as you can. Use the questions below as a guide for writing your nomination letter.

- What positive characteristics of the candidate stand out to you?
- How has the candidate impacted the lives of students?
- How has the candidate improved the culture of the school?
- How is the candidate a model of ethical and moral values?
- How has the candidate impacted the lives of the staff of the school?
- How has the candidate served others in school activities outside the primary duties of her/his

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**Elbert K. Fretwell Outstanding Educator Award  
Nomination Form #2**

Date of Nomination:

**NAME OF NOMINEE:**

Your Name:

*Your Contact Information*

Daytime Telephone:

Evening Telephone:

Email:

*Your Relationship to Nominee*

Colleague or Administrator

Parent of Current/Past Student

Current or Past Student

Faith Leader Familiar with Nominee

Other: (Please Specify)

*About the Nominee*

Name of school and district:

Contact information:

Email Address:

Phone No.:

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