

THE HENRY JACKMAN AWARD

Each year, the University of Toronto Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa International sponsors the Henry Jackman award in honour of the chapter's first president.

The award (\$500.00) will be presented to a student currently attending a Faculty / School of Education in the province of Ontario, including graduate programmes. A year's membership in University of Toronto Chapter PDK is also awarded. Interested candidates must submit:

- a copy of a current student card
- two signed, original letters of reference from persons who have played a significant role in the candidate's education
- a two-page resume, including a history of work with children and positions of leadership
- a 500 word essay (see below)

Read the following quote from Ontario's Education Act Section 264. (1) Duties of teacher:

"It is the duty of a teacher ... to maintain, under the direction of the principal, proper order and discipline in the teacher's classroom and while on duty in the school and on the school ground."

Why do you think this requirement is included in the Education Act? What does it mean to maintain "proper order and discipline"? Why and how should the teacher maintain "proper order and discipline" and at the same time promote original thinking, inquiry and freedom of speech among the students? In your response, in approximately 500 words, refer to both your own experiences and what you have learned in your education courses.

The deadline for submission is Friday, May 1, 2009. Application packages should be sent to: Dr. Barnabas Chukwujiebere Emenogu, Chair, The Jackman Award, The Literacy and Numeracy Secretariat, Ministry of Education, 900 Bay St., 10th Floor Mowat Block, Toronto, ON, M7A 1L2. If you have any questions, please email Dr. Emenogu at Barnabas.Emenogu@ontario.ca.

The Award committee will undertake an anonymous review of the submissions based on the following criteria:

- Content
 - clear, penetrating ideas
 - mature grasp of subject
 - accurate documentation, where appropriate
- Organization
 - clear, purposeful development of ideas
 - smooth transitions
- Style
 - clear, concise writing style
 - clear sense of the audience/reader
 - focused, to the point

This year's recipient will be declared and notified by Monday, May 18, 2009. The winning essay may be published in a future issue of the U of T's chapter's newsletter. The winner will be expected to submit a digital photograph and electronic version of the essay. The winner and one guest will be invited by the Chapter to attend an event for the presentation of the award.