Peter Chandler
Minister for Education

Nominations open for NT education and care awards

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Our children are the future, and it is time to recognise educators and carers in the Northern Territory who play an important role in helping young children reach their full potential in life.

“If you know an outstanding early childhood professional, now is the time to nominate them for the 2015 Northern Territory Education and Care Awards,” Minister for Education Peter Chandler said.

“The awards recognise educators and services that are innovative and exhibit outstanding commitment to delivering a high quality service for young children and their families.

“We have some of the hardest working early childhood professionals in the Territory, and this is one way we can thank and acknowledge the contribution they make to the development of lifelong learning.”

Awards categories include emerging professional educator, outstanding leadership, outstanding achievement in sustainable practice, outstanding achievement in community engagement, and outstanding education and care service in five categories.

“Services that provide a high quality, stimulating and nurturing environment have a significant influence on a child’s start in life and provide them with the foundation to reach their highest potential,” Mr Chandler said.

“The support and services provided by educators and carers are particularly beneficial in helping vulnerable and disadvantaged children and their families overcome barriers to lead healthy, productive lives.”

Award recipients will be invited to participate on a tour of high quality early childhood services in Sydney.

The tour aims to further participants’ professional development, enhance their awareness and understanding of quality practices in education and care, and improve services in the Territory.

Nominations for the awards are open from today, Monday 1 June 2015 until Friday, 31 July 2015.

For more information or to make a nomination, please visit www.ntecawards.net.

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