

BTEC AWARDS 2021

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Who are your BTEC Stars?

LEARNER CATEGORIES

- > BTEC Art and Design Learner of the Year
- > BTEC Business and Enterprise Learner of the Year
- > BTEC Child, Health and Social Care Learner of the Year
- > BTEC Construction Learner of the Year
- > BTEC Creative Media Learner of the Year
- > BTEC Engineering Learner of the Year
- > BTEC Hospitality, Travel and Tourism Learner of the Year
- > BTEC IT and Computing Learner of the Year
- > BTEC Land-based Learner of the Year
- > BTEC Music Learner of the Year
- > BTEC Performing Arts Learner of the Year
- > BTEC Protective Services Learner of the Year
- > BTEC Science Learner of the Year
- > BTEC Sport Learner of the Year

TEACHER AND PROVIDER CATEGORIES

- > BTEC Teacher of the Year
- > BTEC Tutor of the Year
- > BTEC College of the Year
- > BTEC International Centre or Institution of the Year
- > BTEC School of the Year

Learner awards

Here's what you need to submit your nomination:

We'll ask for some basic details about you and then about the learner you're nominating, including:

- Their date of birth
- Their grades, or predicted grades
- Their course start and end dates
- What they're doing now

Questions the nominator will need to answer:

**Tell us in 100 words, why your learner is outstanding.
Give us examples of their dedication and commitment to their studies**

- Give examples of your learner going above and beyond what is expected of them
- Any outcomes from your learner's commitment and dedication to their studies.

Tell us in 100 words, how your learner displays energetic and independent thinking

- Give examples of your learner's energetic approach to learning
- Give examples of your learner's independent thinking
- The results of your learner being an energetic and independent thinker.



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Tell us in 100 words what makes your learner a role model to others

- Give examples of your learner being a role model to others
- Describe any positive impact these examples have had.

Tell us in 200 words, what others (teachers, peers, assessors, etc.) say about the learner? Use this opportunity to provide us with quotes from those linked to the learner's study that demonstrates they are a well-rounded individual.

It's worth getting feedback about your learner from:

- Other teachers or tutors
- Other learners
- Senior staff such as Heads of Departments, Principals, Deputy Heads etc.

Remember, only BTEC educators can nominate so feel free to reach out to them!

Questions your learner will need to answer:

In a 600-word (max) statement, your learner needs to provide specific examples and evidence that show why they are truly outstanding and why they should be a 2021 BTEC Award winner, focusing on:

- Why did you choose to study your BTEC subject?
- What makes you so passionate about your BTEC course and subject?
- How has your BTEC course helped you to develop your career ambitions?
- How do you feel you are going the extra mile in your learning?
- How are you a role model to others - within your school, college or local community?
- What are your successes and achievements (over and above your studies) inside or outside school or college?

We recommend allocating about 100 words for each section of this question.

And finally, don't forget:

- [Check award eligibility](#)
- [Read the terms and conditions](#)

Educator awards

Here's what you need to submit your nomination:

We'll ask for basic details about you and the teacher/tutor you're nominating (including their date of birth). Then there's a bit more about your nominee's BTEC teaching, including:

- Which BTEC course they teach
- When they started teaching BTEC.



Questions the nominator will need to answer:

Tell us in 200 words why your nominee is an exceptional teacher/tutor. How do they enrich experiences for colleagues, learners and their centre in order to achieve positive results?

It's worth talking about:

- How your nominee has impacted learners and their colleagues at your centre
- The positive impact your nominee has provided to others.

Tell us in 200 words how your nominee brings their BTEC subject to life, both inside and outside of the classroom. Please provide examples of your nominee's enthusiasm and energetic teaching and learning style (using past experiences and resources at their disposal).

It's worth talking about:

- Why your teaching colleague is a shining example of vocational excellence
- What makes them a role model
- Examples of their commitment to, and enthusiasm for, their BTEC subject
- Why you believe they are an excellent BTEC teacher or tutor.

Questions your colleague will need to answer:

Here's where you submit your nominee's statement telling us why they are excellent and deserve to win a 2021 BTEC Award.

Our expert judging panel will review the statement alongside your nomination, so it's worth using this opportunity to expand on examples or provide new ones, rather than repeating the same information.

In 300 words, tell us what inspiring teaching tactics have you implemented to deliver your BTEC subject and how does it engage and motivate your learners? Provide examples of learner results and their improvements.

It's worth talking about:

- Any teaching tactics that are embedded at the heart of delivery
- Teaching tactics that show exceptional, direct and tangible results for the learner and/or the centre
- The positive results these teaching tactics have had on the learners and/or the centre.

In 300 words, tell us how have you supported/impacted your school/college on a wider level outside delivering your BTEC subject?

It's worth talking about:

- Examples of offering wider support beyond delivering your BTEC subject(s)
- Evidence of positive results this wider support has given the centre or learners
- How you offer continuous support beyond the teaching of the BTEC subject(s).

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Education Provider awards

Here's what you need to submit your nomination:

We'll ask for basic details about you, then there's a bit more about the establishment, including:

- Information about which BTECs your centre offers (type and level)
- Ofsted, Estyn or ETI rating.

Questions the nominator will need to answer:

Tell us in 300 words how your centre brings BTEC qualification(s) to life inside or outside of the classroom?

It's worth talking about:

- Energetic teaching techniques and tactics implemented at your centre
- The links your centre has to employers, stakeholders and/or the wider community
- How BTEC is at the heart of what you do
- Any demonstrations and examples of vocational excellence
- Provisions and support available outside the classroom.

Tell us in 300 words how your centre promotes BTECs as a pathway. How do you prepare your learners for their next step?

It's worth talking about:

- Progression pathways
- Employer links
- The importance of BTEC and vocational education.



In 300 words, please tell us about the ethos and culture at your centre and how it encourages your learners to thrive.

Here's a few ideas on what to talk about:

- Support services
- Careers guidance
- Cross-divisional activities
- Induction programmes
- Resources available.

In 500 words, tell us why you regard your centre as excellent? Talk us through a day in the life at your centre.

It's worth including:

- Statements from learners
- Statements from members of staff
- Statements from any other stakeholders associated with your school, college or provider.

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