



## BNSF RAILWAY EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION APPLICATION

# PRINCIPAL INFORMATION

Dear Principal, Associate Principal or Department Chair,

\_\_\_\_\_ has not only been selected as a Distinguished Educator, but has also decided to apply for the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Excellence in Education Awards. Two teachers will be selected from the applicants. Selected teachers will be honored at the Salute to Education on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. BNSF will award each teacher \$2,500 for continuing education and / or classroom supplies.

Please support this teacher’s application by writing a letter of recommendation and by completing the rating scale below. **Please return both items to Krista Hertz, Executive Director, Education Foundation for Billings Public Schools via interschool mail by March 26<sup>th</sup> @ 5 PM.**

- *Letter of Recommendation:* Along with other details, please include your reasons as to why this teacher should be selected for the BNSF Excellence in Education Award.
- *Rating scale:* With 5 being the highest and 1 being the lowest, please rank this teacher as to:
  - 1) How this educator utilizes creative teaching methods and practices in his/her classroom. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2) How this educator promotes student engagement in the educational process. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3) How this educator promotes parent engagement in the educational process. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 4) How this educator engages the community in his/her classroom. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 5) This educator’s ability to develop mentoring relationships with students. \_\_\_\_\_