

# **AWARD**



## Teaching Excellence

IN

### **AKWA IBOM STATE**PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Venue:	Date:	Time:
Ibom E-Library Complex, IBB Way, Uyo, Akwa Ibom State	4 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	10.00 AM

### **ORDER OF EVENT**

10:00am – 10:10am	Safety briefing (Savannah Energy)
10:10am – 10:20am	Address by the Chairman, Screening and Award Committee - Dr. Enobong Joshua
10:20 am – 10:35 am	Remarks by the Chairman of the Award Ceremony Mr. Usoro Usoro Chief Executive Officer, Momo Payment Service Bank, a subsidiary of MTN Communications Plc.
10:35am – 10:55am	Award Presentation 1
10:55am – 11:25am	Address by the Guest Speaker Professor Lawrence Etim Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Environmental Management, University of Uyo
11:25am – 11:40am	Award Presentations 2 Grand Mentor's Award
11:40 am – 11:50 am	Brief remarks by Mr. Ephraim Inyang Jacob Udo US Fulbright TEA Award Winner
11:50am – 11:55am	Award Presentation 3 Principal's Award
11:55 am – 12:00 noon	Brief Remarks by an Awardee
	Vote of Thanks

### Welcome Address by the Chairman, Screening and Award Committee, Inoyo Toro Foundation, at the 15<sup>th</sup> Teachers' and 5<sup>th</sup> Principal's Award for Excellence, Held at Ibom e-Library, Uyo, on Friday, November 04, 2022.

Protocol.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the Screening and Award Committee of the Inoyo Toro Foundation, I have the pleasure of welcoming you to this Award Ceremony of the Foundation. This annual event aims to appreciate our public secondary school teachers and principals who have excelled during the year in their various roles in education delivery. Borrowing from the 2022 World Teachers' Day theme: The Transformation of Education Begins with Teachers, we see that teachers are indispensable assets in revolutionizing education delivery, particularly in the formative stage of human development. When we also reason that teaching is more than imparting knowledge but inspiring change, we conclude that there can be no meaningful development of any society without the teacher. The 44th US President, Barack Obama, said, "invest in our teachers, and our children will succeed". Therefore, Inoyo Toro Foundation cannot but focus on teacher development and motivation for optimum results in our educational enterprise.

The main aims and objectives of the Foundation include to:

- encourage teachers of Science, Mathematics, English language, and some other endangered subjects in our public secondary schools,
- □ stimulate awareness for the study of these subjects,
- promote healthy and positive competition for excellence among teachers,
- help teachers to be more committed to their profession as they constantly update their knowledge and help to mentor other colleagues, and
- provide mentorship opportunities for public secondary school students in Akwa Ibom State by volunteers from different professional backgrounds.

Beginning in 2007, the Foundation has been striving to supplement the efforts of the Akwa Ibom State Government in its educational development. We have had to appraise the whole education framework in the State to proffer to the government concrete suggestions on infrastructural, curriculum and personnel needs and overhaul, which could reasonably impact the transformation of the sector. This is our main preoccupation and concern as a Foundation. In 2016, the Foundation identified with the Ministry of Education's Education Stakeholders Summit. I was privileged to present the Keynote Address, in which a few suggestions were made on the way forward in the state's education. We also identified, as Discussants, with the State Government as she hosted the first-ever comprehensive State Education Summit and Exhibition in 2019, as well as being part of the Akwa Ibom State Think Tank Committee on Education, which produced a Roadmap for Education for the period 2020 -2030. The Governor, passionate about the transformation of the education sector, had approved the document. We are hopeful that full implementation of this Roadmap will commence and usher in a new era of educational development in the State. This year, I was also privileged to be invited to present a paper on the role of community leaders at a 3-day State-wide seminar on Insecurity in State public secondary schools organized by the State Secondary Education Board.

Today, the questions I will state before education planners and implementers will be as follows:

- What would it take for our public schools to operate at the standard of some good private schools, given that most schools have better-trained teachers?
- How committed are the stakeholders to the education sector? What is your commitment and dedication to this vital sector as a critical player (teacher, school head, government agent, etc.)?
- How is the government monitoring and evaluating the performance of these players?
- How durable and lasting is the seeming updating of infrastructural facilities in our schools? Has someone checked on the quality of the work done?
- Why would students in private schools attend classes on time but those in public schools would not?
   We may need to abandon lip service to education restructuring and development and face this task of eradicating poverty through the impact of education more squarely for the good of our present and future

generations.

The Foundation believes teacher motivation and appreciation are critical in addressing the apathy in the teacher's work experience and will subsequently enhance performance and service delivery in our schools. We believe an annual Mandatory Professional Development (MPD) seminar/workshop that can be held during the long vacation period would be a good start. Government can also facilitate an in-service training program for teachers and school heads. These will update the teacher's professional and academic competence to enable them to cope with modern challenges.

The Foundation's Award this year is for six (6) subjects: English Language, Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Economics. In each subject, the first prize winner receives N250,000; the second, N150,000 and the third, N100,000.

This year a total of 163 teachers, 11 teacher-mentors and 6 school principals applied online via the Foundation's website (www.inoyotorofoundation.org). Of these, 153 teachers, 11 teacher-mentors and 5 school principals were invited to participate. However, only 144 teachers, made up of 27 English Language, 23 Mathematics, 30 Biology, 29 Chemistry, 23 Physics, and 12 Economics teachers, participated in the screening test, which was computer-based, under supervision. This response is low compared to the figures in 2021 and may be primarily due to a lack of exposure to ICT,

the school heads being the worst hit. The proposed mandatory training of teachers and school heads could address this weakness.

The final screening test for the selection of the winning teacher is in two parts. The first part is an aptitude test based on the WAEC/NECO curriculum. The second part is an oral interaction between the resource persons and those who pass reasonably well (with not less than 40%) in the written test.

To strengthen the value of the award, the first, second and third prizes can only be achieved if a contestant scores at least 70%, at least 60%, and at least 50%, respectively, in the results.

In the Grand Mentor Teachers' Award category, the mentors must scale through the written test with a score of at least 50%, in addition to their field performance indices, before being considered for the award. Besides, at least one of the mentees of the candidate should be a prize winner in the year. The Grand Mentor award attracts N500, 000. This year we have five (5) grand mentors each in Biology, Chemistry, English Language, Mathematics and Physics.

The Principal's Award came on board our stable in 2017 and is aimed at rewarding the efforts of exceptional public secondary school heads who have distinguished themselves in pushing their institutions' academic and administrative advancement by providing a congenial learning environment. The Foundation Team visited five shortlisted principals to appraise their submissions using well-articulated administrative performance indices. Only three (3) of them appeared this year for the screening test, where consideration was given to practical management and administrative principles. They were further subjected to oral interaction, after which the best emerged. This year we have the fifth winner in this category.

The screening process and the written and oral interactions were handled according to preset rules and procedures with transparency and integrity. The expert examiners were carefully selected consultants from academia and the public sector.

The distinguished Chairman of the occasion, the Guest Speaker, Respected Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen and great Nigerian students here present; these winners will be duly presented the award of prizes at the appropriate time during this event.

### **Our Appreciation**

We appreciate his Excellency, Governor Udom Emmanuel, for his passion for the proper education of the Akwa Ibom child, through the provision of basic infrastructure and recruitment of teachers for schools. We are grateful to the Hon. Commissioner and Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education, and the Chairman and Permanent Secretary State Secondary Education Board, for providing the needed data on schools and facilitating our access to schools in the State. We appreciate the principals of schools for their support, which led to a smooth selection process during the year.

We also appreciate members of the Screening Committee (Mr. Joseph Udoh, Mrs. Lydia Nkan, Dr. Saturday Umanah

and Mr. Aniedi Amos), who worked with me conscientiously

during the year to actualize this project. Dr Saturday Umanah of the State Secondary Education Board joined the Team this year, while our very hardworking Mrs. Imo Bassey stepped aside for other concerns. We are grateful to Mrs. Bassey for her unquantifiable commitment to the goals of the Foundation during her stay with us. The Foundation is also thankful to our very experienced Consultants (most of whom are Associate Professors and Professors) from the University of Uyo and a retired permanent secretary for their honest, diligent, and selfless contributions to the Foundation's mandate. I also appreciate the Advisor, Chairperson, and members of the Board of Trustees of Inoyo Toro Foundation for this vision and their continued commitment to this noble project, which has positively impacted the performance of most of our students in public examinations. Some of these beneficiaries are now

We thank all our collaborators, external mentors, and sponsors. Let me especially appreciate Mr. Ephraim Jacob Inyangudo, a Physics teacher and the Foundation's 2015 and 2021 Grand Mentor. He emerged this year as the first South-South Nigerian to be awarded the Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Advancement (TEA) Fellowship by the United States Department of Education and Cultural Affairs.

graduates in various fields of study.

### Conclusion

Scott Hayden once said: "Teachers have three loves: love of learning, love of learners, and the love of bringing the first two loves together". It is therefore pertinent to draw the attention of our dear teachers to the fact that our children would excel to whatever height in their academics if given the proper loving attention by our teachers. Teachers who love teaching teach children to love learning. Please create curiosity as you teach so that learning becomes a life-long process for the learners.

On the other hand, students should buckle down to their studies and other worthwhile endeavours rather than being distracted by the pressures of society and friends. Studying facilitates a more profound understanding. Develop a reading culture that can help expand your horizon, sharpen your creative mind, and expose you to other facets of life beyond your core area of interest. Try to heed the counsel of your teachers and our Foundation's external mentors, who have made their mark in society. Don't fit in when you can stand out!

Finally, for the Award winners, as I congratulate you on your success, you should realize that this is the beginning of a new journey in the mentorship enterprise. It would help if you did more work now to prove your worth and maximize your potential. This award provides a springboard to numerous other opportunities. Take hold of these squarely, just as the teacher I cited before!

I now welcome everyone to this event. Please make yourself comfortable and be part of the Foundation's noble and destiny-transforming agenda by adopting a school and/or sponsoring a subject or an event. Get involved!

Thank you, and may God bless everyone!

**Enobong E. Joshua, PhD** Chairman

### **2022 AWARD WINNERS AND SCHOOLS**

Subject	Name	School	Position
English Language	Inyene Amos Peter	Saints Comprehensive Secondary School, Ikot Oku Mfang, Abak	1st
	Victor Collins Akpan	Itam Secondary School, Itam, Itu	2nd
	Edidiong Wilson Ekanem	Ibesikpo Secondary Commercial School, Nung Udoe	3rd
	Idorenyin Monday Solomon	Madonna Community Secondary School, Obo Ntanya, Oruk Anam	1st
	Utibe Raphael Udo	Abiakpo Community Secondary School, Ikot Ukana, Obot Akara	2nd
	Emem Gabriel Mbat	Asutan Ekpe Comprehensive Secondary School, Okop Ndua Erong, Ibesikpo	3rd
	ldorenyin Oscar Jacob	Community Secondary School, Afaha Obo, Ukanafun	1st
	Eno Monday Utioh	Etinan Community Comprehensive Secondary School, Etinan	2nd
	Augustina Peter Asuquo	Christian Secondary Commercial School, Uyo	3rd
Physics	Nkamanse Akpan Mbat	Asong Community Grammar School, Asong, Mkpat Enin	1st
	Victor Ukpong Emekeka	Comprehensive High School, Ikpe Mbak Eyop, Obot Akara	2nd
	Emem Mfon Usanga	Unity Model College, Obo Ntong, Nsit Ibom	3rd
Chemistry	Emmanuel Godwin Okon	Methodist Secondary School, Ibiaku Issiet, Uruan	1st
	Unyime Ikpe Ime	Etinan Institute, Etinan	2nd
	Enyenekere Brown Owoh	Community Secondary Commercial School, Ikot Ekpeyak Ikono, Uyo	3rd
Economics	Kubiat Bassey Umo	Community Secondary School, Ikot Usen, Ibiono Ibom	1st
	Ita Effiong Oyong	Comprehensive High School, Urue Offong Oruko	2nd
	Akaninyene Udo Akpan	Community Secondary Commercial School, Urua Obo, Ikot Ata Asung/Ikot Obong Otoro, Ikot Ekpene	3rd

### **GRAND MENTOR TEACHERS' AWARD**

Subject	Name	School	Mentee
English Language	John Effiong Udoh	Secondary Grammar School, Ibeno	Inyene Amos Peter
Mathematics	Ekpedeme Cyril Akpan	Government Model Girls Secondary School, Ikot Ekang, Abak	Utibe Raphael Udo Idorenyin Solomon
Biology	Aniefiok Ekanem Antia	Itam Secondary School, Itam, Itu	Eno Monday Utioh
Physics	Akpan Basil Inyang	Community Secondary School, Mkpat Enin	Nkamanse Mbat
Chemistry	Joshua Felix Effiong	Community Secondary Commercial School, Ikot Okubo Offot, Uyo	Enyenekere Owoh

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