

REBECCA & JEAN-PAUL VALETTE AATF LEGACY AWARD

Thanks to a generous donation from AATF Past-President Rebecca Valette and her husband Jean-Paul, we are pleased to announce the fourth annual Valette Legacy Award which will be made to an AATF member teacher whose program has shown significant growth over the last 3-5 years. The candidate selected will receive a cash prize of \$3000 and a complimentary one-year AATF membership. He or she will also receive a plaque to be presented publicly at the AATF annual convention or at a local event of the candidate's choosing. The funds are intended to be used for professional development as well as improvement of the program.

REQUIREMENTS

The candidate chosen

- must have been teaching at the middle school or high school level in a public or private school for at least 5 years;
- must have been an AATF member for at least three consecutive years;
- must demonstrate significant and steady growth in enrollment in his or her French program over the last 3-5 years;
- must submit a [1] current CV; [2] statement describing his or her personal philosophy on teaching French [500-800 words]; and [3] description with documentation of recruitment and retention strategies used;
- [4] must submit enrollment figures over the past 3-5 years, including comparative figures for other languages and/or schools in the district or comparable schools.
- [5] must include 2 letters of support: a recommendation from an administrator addressing the growth in enrollment and the candidate's achievements and a letter from a colleague highlighting the candidate's achievements.

Preference will be given to a teacher who is the sole full-time teacher at his/her school.

The application should be submitted in pdf format as one document. Email this document to [abrate@frenchteachers.org] no later than **March 1, 2020**. Letters of support may be e-mailed directly to [abrate@frenchteachers.org] with the applicant's name and AATF Legacy Award in the subject line.