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Dear Colleague,

I've enjoyed hearing you talk about the writing you and your students are doing and I'm excited about the ways you are able to recognize and support their growth as writers.

The National Council of Teachers of English, with generous support from Don Graves, recently initiated an award to recognize outstanding elementary teachers of writing like you. I so hope that you will apply for this award and I would be pleased to assist you with your application.

The award is presented by Don Graves at the Elementary Get-Together during the NCTE Annual Convention and includes a certificate and a cash award of \$2000! Past award recipients have been invited to present their work during a special session at the Annual Convention, too.

Take a look at the criteria for the award and the details of the application process at this website: <http://www.ncte.org/awards/graves>.

I hope you will apply! Let me know how I can help.

Sincerely,