

# AOTP 2026 AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN PORTUGUESE LANGUAGE TEACHING

Evaluation Rubric — Community School Teacher of the Year

Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

| Category / Indicators   | 0 No Evidence | 1 Some Evidence (2–3 indicators) | 2 Adequate Evidence (3 indicators) | 3 Strong Evidence (3 indicators) |
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| <b>Innovation in Community Teaching</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develops creative methods adapted to the community school context</li> <li>• Creates teaching materials and resources relevant to the community</li> <li>• Engages families and community members in the learning process</li> </ul>               |               |                                  |                                    |                                  |
| <b>Community Integration and Impact</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fosters integration between the school and the local Lusophone community</li> <li>• Organizes cultural events that celebrate Lusophone heritage</li> <li>• Serves as a bridge connecting different generations within the community</li> </ul>     |               |                                  |                                    |                                  |
| <b>Teacher Training and Volunteer Development</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trains and prepares teachers or volunteers to teach Portuguese</li> <li>• Develops and implements curricula suited to the community context</li> <li>• Leads fundraising and financial sustainability efforts for the program</li> </ul> |               |                                  |                                    |                                  |
| <b>Commitment and Continuity</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Demonstrates long-term dedication to community language education</li> <li>• Sustains and expands the program over time</li> <li>• Serves as an inspiring model for other community educators</li> </ul>  |               |                                  |                                    |                                  |
| <b>TOTAL SCORE:</b>   | _____ / _____ |                                  |                                    |                                  |