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TALYA EDLUND
2016 Maine Teacher of the Year
2015 Cumberland County
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Maine's 2016 Teacher of the Year and 2015 Cumberland County Teacher of the Year is Ms. Talya Edlund.

Talya Edlund teaches third grade at Pond Cove Elementary School in Cape Elizabeth, a position she has held since 2004. She has also served as a Literacy Teacher and Team Leader. She started her teaching career as a second and third grade teacher at P.S.23 Carter Woodson School in Brooklyn, NY. Her first teaching position in Maine was as the Program Coordinator for Project Safe and Smart at Lincoln Middle School in Portland. For two years, Talya was an adjunct instructor at Southern Maine Community College teaching college prep reading to English language learners. Talya holds a Bachelor of Arts in Humanities from University of Michigan and a Masters of Science in Elementary Education from Brooklyn College.

Ms. Edlund lives in Cape Elizabeth with her husband and two sons.