

LOUISIANA LEGISLATIVE YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL LEADERSHIP AWARD



GENERAL INFORMATION AND NOMINATION FORM

Introduction

The Louisiana Legislative Youth Advisory Council (LYAC) seeks to publicly recognize young people for demonstrating outstanding leadership and/or citizenship in their communities by selecting and honoring a young leader in each congressional district in the state, including a state award winner. In accordance with its mission, the members of LYAC encourage teens across the state to become civically engaged in and render service to their communities and to promote a meaningful youth voice on issues affecting youth in their daily lives.

The purpose of the LYAC Leadership Award is to recognize teens who:

- Serve as a positive example to other young people
- Achieve a significant civic accomplishment at school or in the community
- Demonstrate outstanding youth leadership
- Promote responsible citizenship

The Award:

- This is a peer-to-peer honor. The LYAC youth members will evaluate and review each nomination.
- Certificates of recognition will be awarded by the LYAC youth members to each winner.

Nominations:*

- Anyone, except a LYAC member or his/her immediate family, can nominate a teen.
- Two letters of recommendation from someone other than the nominator must accompany the letter of nomination.
- The nomination may include supporting materials such as copies of newspaper articles, etc. Any materials submitted will not be returned.

*** No member of the LYAC group is eligible to receive an award.**

Qualifications:

- Youth between the ages of 14 and 19 and attending a high school or home school at the time of nomination
- Must be a Louisiana resident

DEADLINE:

Nominations must be postmarked or submitted no later than **January 3, 2014**.

Please mail your completed nomination forms and documentation to:

Louisiana Legislative Youth Advisory Council
c/o Louisiana Senate
Post Office Box 94183
Baton Rouge, LA 70804

OR

Nomination forms may be scanned and e-mailed to:
longuepn@legis.la.gov

Should you have any questions, call Nanette Longuepee at (225) 342-2425.

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NOMINATION FORM

(A separate page containing the information below may be used, if necessary)

<i>PART I. Student Information (Nominee)</i>	
<i>Name</i>	
<i>Age</i>	
<i>Mailing Address</i>	
<i>Name of School and Address</i>	
<i>Grade</i>	
<i>Congressional District in which school is located</i>	
<i>Honors/Awards received</i>	
<i>Involvement in school or community clubs and organizations</i>	
<i>Involvement in Community Service Activities</i>	
<i>Leadership Roles</i>	
<i>Parent/Guardian Name</i>	
<i>Parent/Guardian Telephone</i>	
<i>Parent E-mail Address</i>	

NOMINEE: _____

Part II. Nominator's Information	
Name	
School or Organization	
Title	
E-mail Address	
Mailing Address	
Telephone	
Relation to Student (Ex.: Parent, Teacher, Club Sponsor, Peer, Friend, etc.)	

Part III. Short Answer (Nominator)

Nominator: Please answer on a separate page and submit with the nomination form. Important: include the name of student nominee on any additional page.

- 1. How long have you known this young person?**
- 2. Why have you nominated the young person for this award?**
- 3. What have they done to distinguish themselves as a young leader and in what specific ways has he or she worked to make a positive change for their school or in their community?**
- 4. Describe one characteristic that demonstrates the young person's unique leadership ability.**
- 5. Is there any other information you would like to share with the selection committee about this young leader?**

Part IV. Letters of Recommendation

Two letters of recommendation from someone other than the nominator must accompany the letter of nomination.

Part V. Student Essay (Nominee)

In an essay of no more than 300 words, please describe an event, in which you were involved, that has impacted your leadership skills and assets. How has this event affected your outlook on the school and/or community? How has your participation in this event affected your growth as a leader? Do not use this essay to list club activities and other leadership roles. This information will be listed in Part I on the nomination form. Put your word count at the end of the essay.