



# York County Outstanding Youth Award Educational Scholarships 2021 NOMINATION FORM



**Thank You** for taking the time to nominate a York County high school student\* for one of the County's **four annual \$1,000 Outstanding Youth Award Educational Scholarships!** Please complete this form and send or deliver it to the Parks & Recreation office at the address below. Be sure to attach your letter of recommendation describing the nominee and his/her qualifications. Program details are printed below and on the reverse side. If you have any questions please call Parks & Recreation at 890-3500.

*\*To be eligible, students must be residents of York County and enrolled in grades 9-12 at a public, private, or homeschool.*

## PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

Name of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### THE FOUR AWARD CATEGORIES (please check one)

**COMPASSION**

**COURAGE**

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**OVERALL ACHIEVEMENT**

(12<sup>th</sup> graders only)

Note: The Selection Committee may decide to place a nomination in another category.

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Written Recommendation:** Please explain in 600 words or less why your nominee meets the award criteria on the reverse side. Helpful information would include: specifics concerning the nominee's community activities; the groups and individuals who benefited from his/her example and service; the nominee's academic and extracurricular accomplishments; and, other support information.

**NOTE:** Nominees for "Overall Achievement" must be in 12<sup>th</sup> grade, and their nomination should also be accompanied by a school transcript and a list of activities and awards obtained through a student's parents.

**2. References:** Please list 3 persons who are familiar with the accomplishments of the nominee:

Name	Relationship to Nominee	Home or Cell Phone	Work Phone

**Nominations must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 19, 2021.** Mail nominations to *Outstanding Youth Awards, c/o York County Parks & Recreation, P.O. Box 532, Yorktown, VA 23690, OR* deliver to the Parks & Recreation Office at 5338-G George Washington Memorial Highway, Yorktown, 23692 (located in the Washington Square Shopping Center). Phone: 890-3500.

**See reverse side for award criteria and other important details.**

# **YORK COUNTY OUTSTANDING YOUTH AWARDS**

Sponsored by the  
York County Board of Supervisors & York County Youth Commission

**PURPOSE** To **recognize** and **celebrate** the accomplishments of outstanding York County high school students!

**CRITERIA** All nominees must be: a) York County residents; b) high school students in grades 9–12 (except 12<sup>th</sup> grade only for Overall Achievement); Note: Students may attend public, private, or homeschool to be eligible; c) nominated for one of the following awards:

1. **Compassion** – Someone who consistently shows interest, sensitivity, and caring for people's problems and needs. Also, someone who regularly extends him or herself to help meet these needs through active service and involvement.
2. **Courage** - May be interpreted in the traditional sense of rescue or an act of bravery. But, may also apply to someone striving to overcome an obstacle such as a disability, illness, undesirable social situation, or a pattern of undesirable behavior.
3. **Community Service** - This category encompasses a variety of service activities such as volunteer work, tutoring, providing companionship to the sick or elderly, participating in charity fundraising, and other humanitarian service projects.
4. **Overall Achievement** – This recognizes a 12<sup>th</sup> grader who is a standout in the community and who participates and excels in numerous activities. Areas of excellence could include: academic, leadership, service, and extracurricular activities and achievements at school; extracurricular activities and service outside of school (scouting, religious organizations, private volunteering, etc.); and, other activities such as special talents and awards (musical, drama, athletic, etc.), hobbies, and part-time or summer employment.

NOTE: Members of this year's 2020-2021 York County Youth Commission are not eligible to be nominated for the 2021 Outstanding Youth Awards.

**WHO CAN NOMINATE** Any adult, teenager, group or organization may nominate a student for one of the awards.

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**SELECTION** A Selection Committee comprised of two Youth Commission members, one member of the Board of Supervisors, and one York County School Board member will review the nominations and choose one award winner in each of the four categories listed above. The four recipients will be notified of their selections on or about April 20, 2021. All other nominees will be mailed a letter and Certificate of Recognition from the Board of Supervisors in late April commending them on their nomination and notifying them of their nominator.

**AWARDS** The four recipients of a \$1,000 Educational Scholarship (for post-secondary college or trade school) will be formally recognized at the May 18, 2021, meeting of the York County Board of Supervisors. **A dinner reception will be held prior to the Board meeting for the four recipients, their immediate families, and their nominators.**

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