East Hampton Public Schools FRIENDS OF EDUCATION AWARD NOMINATIONS

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Friends of Education Award Program will recognize and honor people who have made outstanding contributions to public education in the following five categories:

School Volunteer:	Provides volunteer services in a public school	
Parent:	Currently has children enrolled in the public schools	
Local Government Official:	Serves or has served as a local official	
Community Leader:	Has served in a leadership capacity within the community	
Legislator:	Is serving or has served in the Connecticut Legislature	

CONSIDERATION FOR AWARD SELECTION

Nominees will be judged primarily on the significance of his/her contribution to the well-being of public education. Considerations of the selection committee will be:

- Could the nominee be considered to be a positive change agent in public education in the community or the State?
- Has the nominee beneficially affected any one or more of the following: program development, staff morale, community support, student interest, learning environment, or general support for public education?
- Has the nominee provided creative leadership in inspiring or motivating others to achieve or contribute to public education?
- Has the nominee personally provided a special service or achieved above and beyond what is expected in the usual public school program?
- Have others recognized the nominee as a force for constructive change in public education in the community and/or the State?

Award recipients are selected without regard to race, religion, sex, national origin, handicap or affiliation with organizations.

THE SELECTION PROCESS

Each Building will convene a Committee of Staff Members chaired by the Building Principal to review nominations and recommend at least one (1), but no more than three (3) Friends of Education Award winners.

THE NOMINATION FORMAT

- 1. Nomination Forms may be obtained from the District's or School website or any School Principal's Office.
- 2. Any person or organization may submit nominations.
- 3. The nominators may make nominations in more than one category.
- 4. Each nomination should consist of no more than three pages organized into the following sections:
 - a) Nomination form.
 - b) Biographical sketch. Describe the specific program accomplishment, personal achievement or leadership ability that inspires others.
 - c) Education and civic services. If appropriate, identify participation in organizations, committees, commissions, task forces, workshops and conferences. List memberships in church and civic organizations and describe personal efforts to improve public education and social conditions in the community or state. Letters from colleagues, friends and community members may be included.
- 5. If you wish to nominate an individual or an organization:
 - a) Return the completed information requested in #4 above to a Building Principal no later than **Friday, May 9, 2014**.
 - b) Nomination forms must be filled out completely and signed. (Your name will be kept confidential).

AWARDS CEREMONY

Friends of Education Award Winners are announced in the fall at a future Board of Education Meeting and will be presented their award at a special ceremony.

For further information, please contact Mr. Timothy Van Tasel, Assistant Superintendent of Schools at (860) 365-4000 or email him at <u>tvantasel@easthamptonct.org</u> or write to him at East Hampton Public Schools, 94 Main Street, East Hampton, CT 06424.

Nominations Announcement

East Hampton Public Schools FRIENDS OF EDUCATION AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Instructions: Please complete this form and return with required materials described in the guidelines to the **Building Principal** by **Friday, May 9, 2014**.

Name of Nominee: First, Last, (also please include Title – Dr., Mr., Miss, Mrs., Ms., or Other)

Address and Phone Number: Street, City, State, Zip and Phone including Area Code

Name of Organization/Individual Submitting Nomination: First, Last

Address and Phone Number: Street, City, State, Zip and Phone including Area Code

Check category below for which nomination is being submitted and provide the requested information.

School Volunteer	Years Served:	Level:
Parent	Grade levels of children enrolled:	
Legislator	Years Served:	Committee Membership:
Local Government	Years Served:	Government Unit:
Community Leader		
Signature of Individual Submitting Nomination:		Date:

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