



Ferndale Youth Assistance 38th Annual Youth Recognition Celebration!

(One Senior may be eligible for the David Michael Smith Scholarship)

Dear School / Community Member:

Ferndale Youth Assistance invites you to nominate a deserving student or group of students for our “**40th Annual Youth Recognition Celebration**” on **Thursday, March 5, 2020 from 6:30-8:00pm at University High School (formerly Coolidge School)**. Ferndale Youth Assistance will be recognizing youth in two categories: Individual and Group grades K-12. One graduating senior who is nominated may be selected for a \$1,000 scholarship from the David Michael Smith Scholarship Fund to pursue higher education.

Individual or group nominations can be made by school staff, church representatives, civic groups, business persons, parents and citizens of the Ferndale School District. Award winners will be nominated on the basis of volunteer services performed in our community within the past year or those who have made remarkable achievements in spite of personal hardship. **PARENTS, YOU ARE MORE THAN WELCOME TO NOMINATE YOUR OWN CHILD IF THEY MEET THE CRITERIA LISTED BELOW.**

Criteria for Individual Recognition: Nominating a deserving youth for their ongoing volunteerism, school or community service project, personal acts of heroism or someone who has overcome adversity in spite of personal hardship.

Criteria for Group Recognition: Nominating a deserving group of youth for ongoing volunteerism or school or community service projects, beautification activities, church/youth programs.

Criteria of Youth efforts that will NOT be eligible for the Youth Recognition award may include: athletic award, honor roll, attendance, students performing paid or mandated community services, teacher or instructor assignments.

We would like for the nominator to be **detailed** when nominating a youth or group for their efforts. We also ask that you take special care when composing your remarks as some of the information can be sensitive in nature. FYA reserves editing rights to all nominations. **Deadline for youth nominations is Tuesday, February 18, 2020.**

Please feel free to forward this letter and nomination form to those in the Ferndale Community and School District you feel are appropriate. Any individual or organization is welcome to submit nominations for deserving students. The individual award winners, their families and nominators will be **mailed/emailed** an invitation to attend the Youth Recognition Celebration. **Group award winners will be asked to select one or two students to represent their group at the ceremony and will pick up the certificates for all students in their group. Exceptions may be made for groups containing ten or less students.**

If the youth meets the above mentioned criteria please fill out the attached nomination form and **return to:** Ferndale Youth Assistance office, 881 Pinecrest, Ferndale 48220. Questions? Email Melinda.hicks@ferndaleschools.org.

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Please circle: Student or Group nomination

Student:

Grade:

(Print exact name to be used on certificate)

Age:

M/F

School:

Parent (s) or guardian:

Address:

Home Phone#:

Work Phone #:

E-mail Address:
email:

_Alternative

Group:

(Please use additional sheets for names and nominating information)

Nominator:

_ Phone#:

Organization/Affiliation:

Email:

Alternative email:

**PLEASE BE VERY DETAILED AS TO WHAT THE CHILD HAS DONE TO
EARN THE NOMINATION (Please feel free to use additional sheets for nomination
purposes).**

**Please return nomination form to FYA located in Ferndale High School
by: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2020**

