



Nicholas Green Distinguished Student Awards Program

The Michigan Association for Gifted Children, in cooperation with the National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC), is pleased to announce the NAGC - Nicholas Green Distinguished Student Awards Program for the upcoming school year.

Originally funded by the Nicholas Green Foundation and NAGC, this award program is designed to recognize distinguished achievement in academics, leadership, or the arts, in children grades 3 through 6. One child per state can be named a Nicholas Green Distinguished Student and that winner receives a \$500 U.S. savings bond and an NAGC Certificate of Excellence.

The Nicholas Green Foundation was established by Maggie and Reg Green to honor the memory of their seven-year-old son Nicholas who was killed in a drive-by shooting while visiting Italy in 1994. The Nicholas Green Scholarship Fund has already awarded scholarships to high-ability high school and college students to enable them to advance their education. The Greens started the Distinguished Student Awards because they wanted to recognize young people that are working hard to make the most of their lives and develop their unique gifts and talents, and who are now about the age that Nicholas was when he died. The Nicholas Green Foundation began funding these awards in the 1998 – 1999 school year.

Award Parameters

- An Award may be made in each state to one student each school year.
- Award recipients must be in either grades 3, 4, 5 or 6 during the current school year, and must have achieved excellence in one or more of the following areas: visual or performing arts, academic achievement, or leadership.
- The award consists of a \$500 U.S. Savings Bond and a Certificate of Excellence.

Nomination Procedure

- Self-nominations and nominations from parents, teachers, students, and community and civic groups will be accepted.
- Students must be enrolled in either grades 3, 4, 5 or 6 at the time of nomination.
- Outstanding student accomplishment may be in one or more of the following areas: academics, visual or performing arts, or leadership.
- Student applicants must submit a composition describing (a) the activity or interest area for which the student is being nominated; (b) how the student got interested/involved in the activity; (c) what impact the activity has had on the student and on others; and (d) how the student's future plans and goals have been affected by this activity or interest area.
- Applications must include at least one letter of recommendation from someone other than a nominee's family member, explaining why the student nominee is deserving of the award, what sets him/her apart from other students, and how the nominee is impacting others.

NAGC - Nicholas Green Distinguished Student Award Nomination Form

Student Information

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone : _____ Birth Date: _____ Grade: _____

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

Address if different from above: _____

Phone if different from above: _____

School Name / Address / Teacher's Name _____

Name of Person Nominating Student: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

City / State / Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Relationship to nominee: _____

Enclosures

- Student Composition
- Letter of Recommendation (from someone other than a family member)

Submit form and enclosures, **postmarked** by March 1 (no late submissions allowed) to:
Michigan Association for Gifted Children, P.O. Box 70702, Rochester Hills, MI 48307
or by email to association@migiftedchild.org