



## Nicholas Green Distinguished Student Awards Program

The Michigan Alliance for Gifted Education, 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.

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 Greens started the Distinguished Student Awards because they wanted to recognize young people who 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 Michigan Alliance for Gifted Education and NAGC are honored to be part of the Greens' generous spirit. We look forward to seeing that Nicholas' legacy benefits young children who demonstrate excellence—from visual or performing arts to academic achievement to leadership. We believe that this awards program will inspire children to achieve to their fullest potential, highlight high-ability students and draw attention to the educational needs of our nation's gifted and talented students.

### 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 May 15 to:**

**Michigan Alliance for Gifted Education, P.O. Box 70702, Rochester Hills, MI 48307**

**or by email to [alliance@m giftedchild.org](mailto:alliance@m giftedchild.org)**