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# ADAMS COUNTY

# MAYORS & COMMISSIONERS YOUTH AWARDS

## 2015 - 2016 Nomination Form Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award

The Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award (ACMCYA) program recognizes teenagers in grades 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>, or those young people who may not currently be in a school setting but are 20 years of age or less. We encourage you to nominate those who may have overcome personal adversity to create positive change in their lives and with those around them. This program provides businesses, the community and civic leaders an opportunity to actively demonstrate their support for the young people in all of our communities and recognize them for their accomplishments..

The Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award focuses on youth who have triumphed over great odds and serve as inspirations and role models for their peers. If you know of a student who would be a good candidate to be recognized by the community, please help us identify them by completing the attached nomination form.

### Mission of the ACMCYA

*To identify and recognize teenagers who have overcome personal or physical obstacles and risen to challenges life has presented to make a positive difference in them and those around them.*

### Recognition Structure

The ACMCYA is a 2-tiered recognition program that honors nominees at both the local level and countywide. Typically, all nominees are recognized by their local governmental entity. Following that recognition, then an additional screening process will determine the top 20 nominees amongst all of the submissions to be honored at the countywide recognition and awards event.

When completing the nomination form please be **specific** as to why you think your nominee should receive this award. As you fill out these forms, keep in mind that **the more information you include, the easier it will be for the screening committees to recognize what makes these young people so special.** We realize that some of the information may be sensitive. Please indicate if any of the information needs to be kept confidential.

**2015-2016 Nomination Form**  
**Adams County Mayors and Commissioners**  
**Youth Award**



**Details**

1. Nomination forms must be received no later than **February 19, 2016**.
2. Please indicate if any part of this information should be kept **confidential**, only to be used in the selection process.
3. Nominee's age as of December 31, 2015 must be **in grades 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> and 20 years of age or less**.
4. **All nomination forms must be signed and mailed to the individual City/County Coordinator. No forms will be accepted without the nominees signatures. (Electronic Copies are acceptable)**
5. The Adams County Education Consortium (ACEC) is coordinating the program. Chuck Gross, Executive Director, is able to provide guidance, along with the individual city and county coordinators.

**Step 1. Tell us about your nominee.** (Please enter information in the fields below and fill the form out completely.) **PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY.**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: Male \_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Nominee's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

If student, school attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's age as of 12/31/14: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Nominator's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Relationship to Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

To the best of my knowledge, all the information provided in this application is true and reflects the nominee accurately. I have made note of specific information about the nominee that needs to be kept confidential.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Nominator Date

## Step 2. Tell us why your nominee deserves this award.

Please be as specific as you can and use additional sheets if necessary. Pertinent supplementary material may be included. (Please fill this form out completely by **typing or printing legibly** in the form fields below.) Nominations with very brief, illegible or incomplete information may not be given as much consideration.

Provide as much information and as many *specific* examples as possible. (Examples might include: overcoming physical, emotional, or other challenges; providing financial or emotional support to family and friends; care of sick or elderly sibling, parent, or friend; providing positive leadership and role modeling for other youth; positive behavioral changes; and/or community involvement.)

### YOU MAY USE ANOTHER SHEET IF THERE ISN'T ADEQUATE WRITING SPACE:

1. Describe the personal adversity, difficult environment, or limitations your nominee has overcome.
2. What were the key factors that helped your nominee turn his/her adversity to advantage?
3. In what ways has your nominee benefited himself/herself, other youth, their family, or their community?
4. Why do you feel your nominee should receive this award?

**Completed Nomination Forms** are to be submitted electronically to the following individuals based upon the location of the school where the student resides, or in the event that the young person isn't in school then the city in which they reside.

Aurora –	Katie Burczek	kburczek@adcogov.org
Arvada -	Maria Vanderkolk	mvanderkolk@arvada.org
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Brighton -	Tawyna Russell	trussell@brightonco.gov
Commerce City –	Jacob Cox	jcox@c3gov.com
Federal Heights -	Jacqueline Halburnt	jhalburnt@fedheights.org
Northglenn -	Amanda Peterson	apeterson@northglenn.org
Thornton –	Shelly Shipley	Shelly.Shipley@cityofthornton.net
Westminster -	Valerie Medina	vmedina@cityofwestminster.us
Unincorporated Adams County -	Katie Burczek	kburczek@adcogov.org
Unsure/Unknown –	Chuck Gross	cgross@adamscountyed.com