



TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION FOR THE GIFTED

Gifted Student of the Year Award

TAG is pleased to announce the 2022 TAG Gifted Student of the Year Award program. This award program is designed to recognize distinguished achievement in academics, leadership and/or the arts, in gifted children of all ages and grade levels. The winners will be recognized in TAG's newsletter, as well as at their schools, as permitted by local administrators.

TAG believes that the *Gifted Student of the Year Award* inspires children to achieve to their fullest potential, that it highlights the talents of high-ability students and that it draws attention to the educational needs of gifted and talented learners across the state of Tennessee.

AWARD PARAMETERS & SELECTION CRITERIA

- Two Distinguished Student Award recipients may be selected (ONE elementary candidate and ONE middle/high school candidate).
 - Applicants may demonstrate their excellence through evidencing outstanding accomplishment in one or more of the following areas: visual or performing arts, academic achievement, or leadership.
 - The winner takes home a small monetary award, as well as a certificate and recognition in the TAG newsletter, website and related publications.
1. 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/goals have been affected by this activity or interest
 2. Applications must include at least one letter of recommendation from a teacher who has taught the nominated child within the past three years, explaining why the student nominee is deserving of the award, an explanation of what sets him or her apart from other students, and a summary of how the nominee is impacting others.



NOMINATION PROCEDURE

1. TAG will accept self-nominations and nominations from parents, teachers, and students.
2. The complete application packet must be postmarked by May 1, 2022.

Submission of Candidates to the TAG Awards Committee

Emailed submissions are encouraged. If you wish to mail your submission, please ensure all materials are en route and postmarked by May 1, 2022. We recommend that you email mdtarricone@gmail.com at the time of mailing to ensure your submission is anticipated and to confirm its timely receipt.

NECESSARY COMPONENTS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. FULLY COMPLETED STUDENT SELECTION FORM (ENCLOSED).
2. STUDENT COMPOSITION THAT ADDRESSES THE CANDIDATE'S ACHIEVEMENTS AND ASPIRATIONS (MAXIMUM 750 WORDS).
3. LETTER(S) OF RECOMMENDATION.
4. CURRENT PHOTO OF THE STUDENT (STANDARD SIZE SCHOOL PHOTO PREFERABLE).
5. A SIGNED RELEASE FORM COMPLETED BY A PARENT/CAREGIVER.

PLEASE NOTE

Incomplete applications will not be considered by the TAG selection committee.

We suggest you keep a copy of any paperwork submitted for your records

Please submit completed application packets to Michele Tarricone at mdtarricone@gmail.com.

Tennessee Association for the Gifted
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Knoxville, TN 37923



TAG Gifted Student of the Year Award 2022 STUDENT SELECTION FORM

Candidate Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Age: _____ Grade: _____

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

Parent or Guardian Email Address and/or Telephone Number: _____

School Name: _____

School Address: _____

Gifted Teacher's Name: _____

Gifted Teacher's Email Address: _____

Application deadline: May 1st, 2022



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2022 Permission & Release

With this signed submission,
I give the Tennessee Association for the Gifted ("TAG")
permission to use my child's photo, composition, artistic contribution(s) and
original works of any kind,
submitted in connection with the TAG Gifted Student of the Year Award,
in any public features or announcements
which may be published about the award or the award winners.

I further grant permission for TAG to use my child's name, school name, city,
and state in any related public announcement.

I understand that neither I, nor my child, will receive any additional
compensation for such recognition.

Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Parent Name (please print): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Name of Student _____