

## ***Attention: Youth Service Activists***

The Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Human Relations Commission is seeking nominations of youth who are excellent role models of our mission statement goals. The selected individual will be awarded the title to the **“Human Relations Commission Youth Service Award, 2010.”**

We invite you to identify and nominate young people currently enrolled in grades six through twelve who are outstanding examples of this mission.

To nominate an individual please fill out the enclosed nomination form and write out a description of the ways in which this individual is outstanding as a model of our mission goals.

*The award will be presented at the Fourteenth Annual Race Relations Conference held on Wednesday, January 20, 2010, at the Galt House. Our Keynote Speaker will be noted educator, diversity trainer, and author of the training exercise, “Blue Eyes/Brown Eyes,” **Jane Elliott.***

Please get your nomination/s to us **no later than 4:00 PM on Friday, December 4, 2009.**

**Please Note:** *We can accept only limited nominations from any one group.*

Each group may nominate one (ok, at the **absolute most, three**) individuals.

**Human Relations Commission Youth Service Award  
For Outstanding Performance by a Secondary School Student  
In Promoting Positive Human Relations within the Louisville Metro Area**

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*To promote unity, understanding and equal opportunity among all people of Metro Louisville  
and to eliminate all forms of bigotry, bias and hatred from the community*

**Information for Nominators**

In your nomination remarks:

**Identify: How you came to know about the nominee's actions of excellence**

(If you have a personal connection to the nominee you must disclose this,  
or get someone else to do the nominating)

**Explain: In what ways, specifically, does the nominee:**

- \* Personally model acceptance and respect for others?
  - \* Set a tone of acceptance and mutual respect within groups, by example and through active leadership?
  - \* Actively mediate, in positive ways to resolve conflicts?
  - \* Find ways to learn about and celebrate differences between groups, yet to avoid and debunk negative stereotypes.
  - \* Use thoughtful inclusion strategies to promote equal opportunities for participation.
  - \* Discourage hateful "pranks" and report hate crimes to appropriate authorities
  - \* In general, act in ways which support the missions of the Human Relations Commission?
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**Evaluation Criteria**

\* To what extent do the descriptions of observed nominee behavior tie in with the missions of the Human Relations Commission.

\* To what extent do the descriptions of observed nominee behavior provide evidence of individual initiative on the part of the nominee.

\* To what extent do the descriptions of observed nominee behavior identify how the nominee's actions are above and beyond the ordinary.

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***Nomination Information Form***

*(Due no later than 4:00 PM on Friday, December 4, 2009)*

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Grade Level (6-12) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Nominator: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Contact Information:

(e.g. email address/es, phone number/s & appropriate times to call agency  
representative nominating a student activist)

Additional Relevant Information:

***NOTE:*** *Please enclose this form with your nomination remarks*