

# 2023 Scholar Attitude Award

## INSTRUCTIONS TO PRINCIPALS:

Please complete the Principal Verification form. Make sure your student follows all guidelines below and includes all material.

**All applications are due at the IESA Office by February 14, 2023. DO NOT FAX!**

### **Criteria:**

- Each school may nominate **ONE** student who must be in 8th grade.
- The student must have a minimum GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale for both their 7th and 8th grade school years.
- During each year of their two-year junior high school tenure, the student must have participated in a minimum of one Illinois Elementary School Association sponsored activity. If your school participates in just one IESA activity, then the student you nominate must participate in that activity. Qualifying activities include only those activities in which your school participates in the IESA. The student may mention non-IESA activities in the participation section of the application but in order to be nominated, the student must participate in at least one IESA activity.
- The student must have demonstrated outstanding citizenship during their junior high school tenure, and provide examples of how they have made an impact in areas other than athletics and activities.
- The student must get two letters of recommendations from school staff, i.e., administrators, teachers they have had, coaches, or other school staff.
- **The award winners will be recognized at the IESA State Track Meet, on the field, on the Friday of the class their school would participate.**

## INSTRUCTIONS TO NOMINEES:

### **General Requirements:**

- All materials must be included for all nominees. **Incomplete applications will not be judged.**
- Please **do not staple** any of your material.
- All information must be typed on white paper.
- All nomination materials should be one sided on 8.5" x 11" white paper.
- Applicants may not attach any other information that is not required for the application.
- **All applications are due at the IESA Office by February 14, 2023. DO NOT FAX!**

### **Nominations Forms:**

- Complete **all sections** of the nomination forms. The forms may be downloaded into Microsoft Word for your convenience and completed on a computer.

### **Two Letters of Recommendation:**

- Letters of recommendation should be from school personnel and include the relationship of the person to the student they are writing the recommendation for, and why they feel this student should be a recipient of the Scholar Attitude Award.

### **Principal Verification Form:**

- Include completed verification form signed by your principal.

### **Academic Transcript:**

- Include your 7th grade report card and your year-to-date 8th grade report card.
- Transcripts must be printed on 8.5" x 11" white paper, one-sided.

### **Essay:**

- Essay: A typed essay titled "The Value of Sportsmanship and the Lessons I have Learned from Participating in Athletics and Activities" **that is 500 words or less.** Please limit to two typed pages.
- Please limit to two pages, **the essay must be typed.** Include title and your name at the top of the essay.

### **Color Picture:**

- The application must include a current wallet sized color photo. The best photo to use is one taken as part of your school's picture day. **Photos printed on copy paper will not be accepted.**



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## Nominee Application Form

### NOMINEE REQUIREMENTS

This form must be accompanied by the following to be valid:

- Nominee Application Form
- Two Letters of Recommendation from school staff, i.e., administrators, teachers, coaches, or other school staff they have been in contact for a length of time during the school year.
- Principal Verification Form
- Academic Transcript: 7th grade and year-to-date 8th grade report cards (8.5" x 11" white paper, one-sided)
- Student Questionnaire (typed)
- Activity Participation and Achievement Form (typed)
- Essay: A typed essay titled "The Value of Sportsmanship and the Lessons I have Learned from Participating in Athletics and Activities" that is **500 words or less**. Please limit to two typed pages.
- Color Photo: Preferably wallet size of the nominee's head and shoulders. The best photo to use is one taken as part of your school's picture day. **Photos printed on copy paper will not be accepted.** Please print your name and school on the back of the photo. The photo will not be returned.
- Individual Release/Agreement

Please **do not staple** any of your material. All information **must be typed**. Applicants may not attach any other information that is not required for the application. **All applications are due at the IESA Office by February 14, 2023.**

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### NOMINEE JUDGING CRITERIA

A committee comprised of educational personnel will evaluate the nominees using the point system below:

- Academic Performance (25 points)
- Evaluation of Student Questionnaire (25 points)
- Evaluation of Two Letters of Recommendation (15 points)
- Evaluation of Activity Participation, Achievement, Citizenship Form (20 points)
- Evaluation of Sportsmanship Essay (15 points)

### **Student Name**

Preferred first name will appear in all material if selected as a winner. Example: Michael is the first name but the winner would like Mike to be the name used in all material.

[Check here to state that you are available to attend the 2023 IESA State Track Meet to be recognized on 5/12 or 5/19](#)

<i>Last</i>	<i>Preferred First</i>	<i>Preferred Pronoun</i>

<i>Home Street Address</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip</i>
		IL	

<i>School Name</i>	<i>Principal Name</i>

<i>School Street Address</i>	<i>School City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip</i>	<i>Telephone Number</i>
		IL		



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## Principal Verification Form

I, \_\_\_\_\_, verify the eligibility of \_\_\_\_\_

(Principal's Name)

(Nominee's Name)

for nomination to the "IESA Scholar Attitude Award" based on the following requirements:

This form must be accompanied by the following to be valid:

- Only **ONE** nominee per school permitted.
- The student must be of 8th grade status.
- The student must have a minimum GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale for both their 7th and 8th grade school years.

• **Please list:** 7th grade GPA \_\_\_\_\_

8th grade GPA to date \_\_\_\_\_

- The student must have participated in a minimum of one IESA sponsored activity during each year of their two-year junior high school tenure.

• **Please list:** 7th grade IESA Activities \_\_\_\_\_

8th grade IESA Activities \_\_\_\_\_

- The student must have demonstrated outstanding citizenship during their junior high school tenure.

\_\_\_\_\_  
School Name (Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
School Telephone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Principal's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Principal's Email Address

**Please return this form with completed nominee application forms no later than February 14, 2023 to:**

IESA Scholar Attitude Award  
Illinois Elementary School Association  
1015 Maple Hill Rd.  
Bloomington, IL 61705



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## Student Questionnaire

1. Please describe how you have gone out of your way to help someone, and why you made the decision to help?

2. What single feat in your life thus far are you the most proud of and why?

Please limit answers to the given space. You must type your answers using the forms provided.



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## Student Questionnaire Continued

3. If you could make one change in the world, what would it be and why?

4. What is your definition of leadership? Give 2 examples of what good leadership should look like.

Please limit answers to the given space. You must type your answers using the forms provided.

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## Student Questionnaire Continued

5. In your own words, define sportsmanship, and give examples of what good sportsmanship looks like.

6. What does being a good citizen mean to you?

Please limit answers to the given space. You must type your answers using the forms provided.

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## Activity Participation and Achievement Form

1. Activities in which you participated at your school (junior high only)

**Please provide in list form below:**

2. School activity honors and achievements

**Please provide in list form below:**

Please limit answers to the given space. You must type your answers using the forms provided.

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## Activity Participation and Achievement Form Continued

3. Non-school activities, community involvement, summer/odd jobs, etc.

**Please provide in list form below:**

4. Please list any volunteer work you have done in or outside of school.

Please limit answers to the given space. You must type your answers using the forms provided.



# Individual Release/Agreement

The undersigned each hereby grant and assign to the Illinois Elementary School Association (IESA) the right, title, and irrevocable authority and interest in and to the use of all photographs, videos or likenesses taken or obtained of the individual or group whose name appears in subparagraph 1 hereof or which the undersigned may supply to the IESA on behalf of the individual or group named in subparagraph 1 herein for whom the undersigned are authorized to grant this permission, authorization and assignment to the IESA:

1. Name of Individual or Group for and from whom permission and authorization is given:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Individual

\_\_\_\_\_  
2023 Scholar Attitude Award Winners  
Name of Group

2. Permission is granted to the IESA to:

- a. Copyright any photograph, likeness, video containing the likeness of individual or group named in subparagraph 1.
- b. To use, own, re-use, assign license, re-license, publish and re-publish the photograph, video likeness in any business or other manner including broadcast media and for any purpose authorized by the IESA Board of Directors at any time after the IESA obtains this permission and authorization.
- c. To use any and all answers on application in promotional materials used by the IESA.

Such use shall include, but not be limited to, state finals programs, the IESA website, promotional materials, and any re-use or rebroadcast as authorized or permitted by the IESA without limitation as to the number of years of such use, re-broadcast or republication.

The undersigned hereby releases and discharges the IESA from any and all claims, actions, causes of action, suits or demands arising out of or in connection with the use by the IESA of any photographs, including videos or other reproduction of same containing the likeness of the individual or group whose name is set forth in subparagraph 1 hereof. The IESA agrees that it will not use any photograph, video likeness or reproduction of said individual or group in any manner which would be inconsistent with the goals, purposes and objectives of the IESA.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Individual

\_\_\_\_\_  
2023 Scholar Attitude Award Winners  
Name of Group

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signed) Individual or Representative of Group

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signed) Illinois Elementary School Association

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Parent/Guardian of Individual

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signed) Parent/Guardian of Individual

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_