

## **SAMPLE ENTRY**

## **GOOD CHARACTER YOUTH AWARD**

**NOMINATION FORM** 

Submission Deadline: November 17, 2023

Who is a "good character" student?? The everyday student. The students that aren't traditionally recognized. Not the jocks or the academic superstars, but the everyday student who stands up against the bully, who helps those in need, who works to build teams that are inclusive. This is not about grades…more than that, it's about character!

Help us recognize some amazing young adults and nominate them for a "Good Character Youth Award." Students must be attending high school in the Fairfield-Suisun School District.

We are looking for stories of how today's youth make choices that illustrate one or more of the good character traits that embody **Rotary's Guiding Principles**:

"Of the things we think, say, or do:

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| ☐ Is it the truth?                                | ☐ Is it fair to all concerned?                  |
| <b>□Will it build good will and better frie</b>   | iendships?   Is it beneficial to all concerned? |
| Share your Nominee's story. <b>Inspire us!</b> We | e want to celebrate the greatness of our youth! |
| What do we mean by "story?" Here are some         | ne examples:                                    |

- Dominic found a wallet in the cafeteria... turned it in with all cash intact.
- Julie saw a student being bullied. Reported to staff, even if it could label her a "snitch."
- Joe helps new students, many not proficient in English, fit in, academically and socially.
- Taja organizes community service projects... cutting lawns for elderly, picking up trash...

From your nominations, young adults are selected by a review committee. They will be formally recognized on February 7, 2024 at 5:30 pm at KROC Center in Suisun with local and state dignitaries and officials. All those nominated will be invited to attend the event.

\*Complete the form on the reverse side.



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| Nominee Information (Please PRINT or TYPE)  |                                       |                         |                |  |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|--|
| Name  | Jane Doe                              |                         |                |  |
| Address   | 1234 Fairfield St, Fairfield CA 94533 |                         |                |  |
| Email   | janedoe@gmail.com                     | Phone                   | (707)123-4567  |  |
| Parent Name   | Sally Doe                             |                         |                |  |
| High School   | Best High School                      |                         |                |  |
| Person Nominating   |                                       |                         |                |  |
| Name  | Helpful Person                        | Relationship to Nominee | Teacher        |  |
| Email   | helpful@gmail.com                     | Phone                   | (707) 987-6543 |  |
| Check which component of the 4-Way Test best exemplifies your nominee:  ☐ Truth/Honesty ☐ Fairness X Good will and better friendships X Beneficial to all   |                                       |                         |                |  |
| Please share a TYPED story below. You may attach a typed statement to this form. One page max!  |                                       |                         |                |  |
| I've had the wonderful opportunity to work with an extraordinarily kind senior student, Jane Doe, for the past 2 years. I can say confidently; she is nothing less than a heart of absolute gold! Some character traits that she personifies include trustworthiness, exemplary friendship and unrequited kindness for those who need it.  What stands out the most is her dedication to good will and better friendships, both at school and outside the classroom. I am nominating Jane, because she saves her breakfast and brings it to class in case his classmates get hungry. Yes, for years, she has been saving her breakfast for classmates who get hungry or don't have food at home.  When I was thinking about which students to nominate, I actually asked my students for suggestions, 5 students immediately nominated Jane. In my opinion, this is one of the kindest and most genuine acts someone can do. Jane has always done not only what's right, but gone out of her way for others and pulled out all the stops to show people they matter.  There are many more examples of her acts of kindness and friendship, but this one stood out to me. Jane is the kind of student you'd want your son or daughter to be friends with, the type of student you'd want in your class, and someone who personifies what it means to |                                       |                         |                |  |