

# Young Person of the Year Award

This annual, Delta Township competitive award was established in 2009 to honor a selected high school senior who has made a positive contribution to the community, is an example to their peers, may have excelled in academics, music, arts, athletics, etc., or has successfully faced personal challenges. A \$2,000 academic scholarship will be awarded to the selected individual.

## **Eligibility, Selection and Recognition**

Eligibility for the annual Young Person of the Year Award and Scholarship will be based upon fulfilling all the following criteria:

- Is a verified present resident of Delta Township;
- Is a verified high school senior (12th grade) whether enrolled in a traditional high school (public or private) or home-schooled;
- Has excelled in either academics, music, arts, athletics, etc., volunteered in the community, or successfully overcame a personal or physical challenge.
- Is planning to continue education by attending a post-secondary college, university, technical, or trade school.

## **Not eligible for Young Person of the Year Award are the following:**

- Relatives of current elected officials of Delta Township. \*
- Relatives of Delta Community Awards Committee members during their period of service. \*
- Relatives of paid staff of Delta Township.\*
- Relatives of paid contractors of Delta Township. \*

A volunteer selection panel will review all nominations and objectively decide the winner. Selection can be based on the nominee's well-rounded qualifications and/or on one exceptional outstanding achievement. The award winner will be honored in a public ceremony and may be featured in the media.

## **Guidelines for Making Nominations**

All nominations must be submitted on the Young Person of the Year Nomination Form. In the space provided on the form, the nominator must answer all questions about the nominee (i.e., the person being nominated for the award). There are no limits to the number of nominations submitted by a single nominator. The parent/guardian of the nominee (if under the age of 18) must sign a Permission and Release to Use Photographs authorization form (attached). Nominations must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, October 3, to be eligible. The recipient will be announced on October 27 at the 2016 Community Awards Reception to be held at the Crowne Plaza Lansing West Hotel. Mail, e-mail or fax entries to:

**Delta Township Community Awards Program**  
**ATTN: Linda Wells**  
**7710 West Saginaw, Lansing, MI 48917**  
**Fax: (517) 327-1703 • Email: lwells@deltami.gov**

\*For purposes of this nomination, relative is described as spouse, child, parent, sibling, grandparent, grandchild, aunt, uncle, first cousin, niece, nephew, corresponding in-law, or "step" relation.

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

Charter Township of Delta exists to provide superior services to the community while meeting the challenges and opportunities of the 21st Century.

# 2016 Young Person of the Year Award Nomination Form

## Nominee Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Nominator Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title (circle one) Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss Honorable Dr.  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Instructions: Please provide information in the spaces below for each question. *Option: If additional space is needed, please attach one page using a 10 point font.*

1. Identify the contribution(s) for which you nominate the person above. Please be specific in noting academic, music, art, or athletic excellence, volunteerism in community, or personal challenge(s).
2. List and describe any special achievements, recognitions or awards received by the nominee.
3. Please describe why you feel the achievement(s) made by the nominee are exceptional and why they should be selected for this award.
4. List two references, unrelated to the nominee. The references must have credible knowledge of the individual's background and accomplishments. References will be contacted for final candidates only.

Name, address, and daytime phone number of each reference:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

## *Delta Side Business Association Scholarship Program*

Please check this box if you or your student would like us to share your application with the Delta Side Business Association for consideration in their scholarship program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Parent

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## *Delta Township Permission and Photo Release Form*

For promotional purposes, a photographer and/or the press will be on-hand to take photographs and/or video of the Delta Township Community Awards Program. Official Photographs will be released to the media in a news release following the awards. These photographs may be used in various media including websites, newspapers, television, Township publications, and social media. Prior to printing any photographs of your son/daughter, the parent or guardians must complete the section below so that we may use these photographs.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, (parent/guardian) do hereby give my permission to Delta Township to publish the name and photograph of my child, \_\_\_\_\_ (student name) on the township's website and social media pages, as well as via news releases to newspapers, radio stations, and television stations.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Day telephone number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Parent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Evening telephone number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Cell phone number