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**R.A. Horn** **Outstanding Student Achievement Award 2019**

***Medina, Portage and Summit Counties***

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**Who Can Be Honored?**

Students with disabilities age 3-22 who are enrolled in a school program are recognized for outstanding achievements in one of the following categories:

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| * Academics * Arts * Athletics * Community Service | * Employment * Extracurricular Activities * Self-Management |

A student may be nominated for only **one** category. A teacher or administrator may nominate one student. **We ask that you do not nominate students who have been recognized previously for the R.A. Horn award.**

**How Do I Nominate Someone?**

1. Please complete all sections of this form.
2. Please have parent sign enclosed photo release, and include both photo and release form with nomination submission.
3. Submit completed nomination packets via U.S. mail OR e-mail by **March 15, 2019.**

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| **Mail To:** | **E-Mail to:** |
| Maureen Cacioppo – RE: OUTSTANDING STUDENT NOMINEE  State Support Team – Region 8  420 Washington Avenue  Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221 | [MaureenC@sst8.org](mailto:MaureenC@sst8.org) – Please include RE: OUTSTANDING STUDENT NOMINEE in the subject line. |

**Unfortunately, due to fiscal and personnel considerations, State Support Team – Region 8 will be unable to host an awards event in 2019.** We encourage districts to honor their student nominees through local awards events, a Board of Education ceremony, displays at school buildings, etc. SST-8 will honor nominees by sending them a Certificate of Achievement and including their photo in a regional gallery of honorees. One student nominee from Region 8 will be recognized at a state-level awards ceremony in June.

***Questions?***

Please contact Maureen Cacioppo at 330-929-6634, ext. 511219 or via email ([maureenc@sst8.org](mailto:maureenc@sst8.org)).

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1. **1 About the Nominee (Please print or type)**

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| Name | | |  | Grade Level/Age |  | Gender |
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| Parent/Guardian Name | | | | | | |
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| Student Address/Phone | | | | | | |
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| School Building |  | District | | | | |
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| Building Principal Name |  | Building Principal Email/Phone | | | | |
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| Superintendent Name |  | Superintendent Email/Phone | | | | |

1. **2 About the Nominator (Please print or type)**

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| Nominator Name/Role |  | District/Building |
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| Nominator Email Address |  | Nominator Phone |

**Principal Signature**  **Date**

1. **Area of Achievement (please choose one)**

***Academics***

Achievement in a particular subject area such as math, science, reading, social studies, language arts, foreign language, etc.

***Arts***

Achievement in a particular medium such as music, art drama, dance or written expression, etc.

***Athletics***

Achievement in motor skills or a particular athletic activity through a setting such as extracurricular or club sports, physical education, Special Olympics, etc.

***Community Service***

Contributions to the community through activities such as volunteer work, youth work, etc.

***Employment***

Achievement through work experience in workshop settings as well as the competitive job market.

***Extracurricular Activity***

Achievement in organized activities through groups such as Boy/Girl Scouts, churches, clubs, volunteering, Student Government, or other activities.

***Self-Management***

Achievement in the mastery of activities for daily living such as personal care, cooking, use of public transportation, etc.

1. **Outstanding Student Achievement Nomination**

**Please provide only specific details or evidence** why this student should be recognized - we encourage you to send pictures that could be displayed at the event. Tell us what impact has the student’s achievement made on other students, community, etc. In order for the student to be considered for the Outstanding Student Achievement Award, **you must provide two brief but specific examples of this student’s positive achievements**.

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| First example of student’s achievements:  Second example of student’s achievements: |

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**Additional Comments/Thoughts:**

1. **Photo Release (Requires Parent Signature)**

**Congratulations! Your child has been nominated for the R.A. Horn Outstanding Student Achievement award for Summit, Medina, and Portage Counties!**

State Support Team – Region 8 is collecting nominations for this prestigious award and will identify one regional representative for the R.A. Horn award in April 2019. The regional winner will be invited to attend a statewide awards banquet in Columbus in June 2019. All nominees for the R.A. Horn award from within Summit, Medina, and Portage County will receive a will be celebrated in a **regional photo gallery**, which will be published to the SST-8 website (<http://sst8.org>) and shared on social media (on Twitter @OhioSST8).

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# Parent Authorization

I (check best option below)

do

do NOT

give State Support Team – Region 8 my permission to include my child’s photograph, provided by the school/nominator, in the regional R.A. Horn photo gallery.

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| Signature |  | Name |  | Date |

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| Child’s Name |  | School Name/Teacher |  | District Name |