

Yes I Can Application 2022

The Kentucky Council for Exceptional Children has established the Yes I Can (YIC) awards program to acknowledge and celebrate the accomplishments of children and youth with exceptional needs. This award honors children and youth with exceptionalities that shine. Nominees must be 3-21 in age at the time of the nomination and a resident of Kentucky. Each nominee may be nominated in ONE category only. Applications must be complete and contain ALL required information in order to be considered.

One winner in each category will be selected (Academics, Arts, Transition, Technology, School and Community Activities, Self-Advocacy). Nominations may be made by parents, teachers, friends, paraprofessionals, etc.. In the event of a tie, preference will be given to nominators that are CEC members.

Winners will be recognized at the Exceptional Children's Conference at the Galt House in November. KYCEC YIC winners will be nominated to CEC for consideration of their national awards.

Applications with ALL supporting documentation may be submitted between March 14 and June 30. No late applications or supporting documentation will be accepted.

Required Components:

Statement of Achievement: In 500 words or less, describe why the nominee deserves to receive this award. Include information such as **challenges the student encountered prior to his or her accomplishments; **his or her exceptionality/exceptionalities; **the type of special education services provided to the nominee; **the student's achievements in his or her category of nomination; **the setting in which these accomplishments occurred; and **the impact these accomplishments have had on the student or others.

**Please note that if the nominee is selected as a recipient, the responses may be used by KYCEC for the awards and publicity purposes. Please make sure that you provide the most accurate information possible.

Signed parent consent is required for nomination. Permission granted by the parent is for consideration of state and national YIC awards, including all publicity associated with this award.

Link to Parent Consent:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SAfBiQjPfwO6TECWJAYsbl8u5gQc0c4ixbrDCQc5feA/edit?usp=sharing>

***In addition, please be prepared to share the following documentation:

(If you are a Google Drive or OneDrive User, please create a folder and share it with cain.alvey@hardin.kyschools.us. Remember that all supporting documentation for your application must be received by the June 30 deadline.)

1. Headshot

(Required) A quality photo of the student only for use in publication, programs, and the awards ceremony.

2. Video

(Required) Must be less than 2 minutes in length. Videos should support the Statement of Achievement (Section B) indicating why the nominee deserves this award. This video should highlight the nominee's work/achievements, his or her daily life, or a statement from the nominee about the impact that his/her accomplishments have had.

Example video and link: <https://youtu.be/5ZMmhBGf33s>

Videos should be uploaded to YouTube or another video sharing service and must be made public so that the review committee can view. You can upload the video in original format into the shared folder or give us the "link" to the video below.

3. Supporting Evidence

Two additional forms of documentation may be included. No more than two will be considered. Examples of documentation may include: Essay written by the nominee (may be something he or she has written in the past or written specifically for this award; Must support the Statement of Achievement, highlighting the nominee's work/achievements, daily life, or statement about the impact his/her accomplishments have had; The essay should be no longer than 300 words); Copy of transcript; Copies of artwork; Awards; Record of activities; Record of technology used; Employment history, etc.

For questions or assistance, please contact Cain Alvey at cain.alvey@hardin.kyschools.us.

* Required

1. Email *

2. Name of Nominee (Student): *

3. Student grade level for the 2022-23 school year *

4. Area Being Nominated *

Mark only one oval.

- Academics
- Arts
- School & Community Activities
- Self-Advocacy
- Technology
- Transition

5. Birthday: *

6. Street Address *

7. City *

8. Zip Code *

9. Nominee's Gender *

Mark only one oval.

- Female
- Male

10. Nominee's Disability *

11. Parent/Guardian Name(s) *

12. Home Phone Number *

13. Parent/Guardian Email Address *

14. Nominee's School Name/District *

15. Name of Director of Special Education (DOSE)

16. DOSE Email

Nominator Information

We need the information for the person nominating the student. You will be the contact for further correspondence.

17. Name of Nominator *

18. Nominator's Address *

19. City *

20. Zip Code *

21. Email Address of Nominator *

22. Phone Number of Nominator *

23. How do you know the nominee? *

24. Are you a CEC Member *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

25. If yes, what is your CEC ID Number

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Statement of Achievement

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Parent Consent/Release of Information

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27. I verify parent has given written permission and will upload with the supporting ***** documents.

Check all that apply.

Yes

No

Documentation Needed

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28. Will the student need an enlarged certificate?

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

29. Please list any accommodations or possible needs (such as allergies) for the awards ceremony:

30. I have the requirements and will upload required documentation listed above. *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

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I will email you for assistance with this process.

31. Link to video (If you have uploaded to YouTube or put in another sharable format):

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