



2019 Ohio Council For Exceptional Children "Yes I Can" Awards Nomination Form

Nominee Name: (Type name here)

Nominee Category: Please select

(Type in Category Here)

2019 Yes I Can Awards Nomination Checklist

Check if completed and/or attached in nominating e-mail to (Insert Email):

- Section A:** Nomination Information Form, including Nominee Information, Nominator Information
- Section B:** Award Criteria (below)
- Section C:** Letters of Recommendation
- Section D:** Nominee Statement
- Section E:** Additional Documentation (**optional** but encouraged)
- Section F:** Nominee Photo

By signing or typing my name below, I hereby certify that all of the information submitted in the Nomination Form is true, accurate, and complete.

X (electronically sign here)

All nominations must be e-mailed no later than April 24,2019. Please ensure that ALL information provided in the application is current as of April 2019. Ohio CEC uses information on the Nomination Form for all future correspondence and publicity.

Please scan and e-mail to: LeslieG8959@gmail.com

Section A: Nomination Information Form

1. Nominee Information

Name: (Type here)

Address: (Type here)

Gender: (Type here)

Birth date: (Type here)

Age: (Type here)

Grade Level: (Type here)

Disability: (Type here)

Is a Braille certificate needed?: (Type here)

Is a large-print certificate needed?: (Type here)

2. Nominee's School Information

School Name: (Type here)

School District: (Type here)

School Phone Number: (Type here)

Principal's Name: (Type here)

Principal's Email: (Type here)

3. Nominee's Parent Information

Name(s): (Type here)

Address: (Type here)

Email: (Type here)

Phone: (Type here)

4. Nominator Information

Name: (Type here)

Address: (Type here)

Email: (Type here)

Phone: (Type here)

How do you know the nominee? (Type here)

Are you a CEC member?: (Type here)

If applicable, please give your CEC ID number: (Type here)

If this nomination is being made by a CEC State/Provincial Unit, or Division, please indicate which unit or division: (Type here)

How did you hear about the Yes I Can Awards? (Type here)

Section B: Award Criteria

Please note that if the nominee is selected as a winner, the responses to the questions below may be used by CEC for the awards and publicity purposes.

1. Background Information

- a. Describe in 150 words or less the challenges this student encountered prior to his or her current accomplishments (e.g., difficulty with reading).

(Type here)

- b. Describe in 150 words or less the current type of special education services provided to the nominee (e.g., general education class with special education consultation, inclusion, special education classes).

(Type here)

2. Student Accomplishments

- a. Describe in 150 words or less the student's achievements and accomplishments relative to the category in which he or she is nominated. You can add up to three appendices demonstrating examples of the student's achievement.

(Type here)

- b. Describe the setting in which the accomplishments occurred (*i.e.*, home, school, community, work).

(Type here)

- c. Describe in 150 words or less the impact of the student's accomplishments on him- or herself and others.

(Type here)

3. Student Support

- A. In 100 words or less, describe how your community or school system supported this student.

(Type here)

Section C: Letters of Recommendation

The nomination packet must include two (2) letters of recommendation.

The letters should state **why the student deserves the award**, specifically related to the area in which the student is nominated, and **any obstacles the student has overcome**.

One letter must come from a professional educator (e.g., teacher, principal, school administrator, counselor, consultant, educational assistant).

The second letter may come from an educator or other individual who knows the student well (e.g., teacher, principal, counselor, parent, student).

Please scan the letters and attach them as PDFs.

Section D: Nominee Statement

Each nominee must submit a statement on why s/he is applying for a Yes I Can award. Statements can be in the form of writing (one page maximum, either written by the nominee or transcribed by someone else) or video (30 seconds maximum).

The nominee statement should illustrate accomplishments in the category of nomination and/or the impact the accomplishments have had on the nominee.

If submitting a written statement, please scan and attach the document. If submitting a video statement, please upload the video to YouTube and provide the link below. **Do not attach video files to the nominating materials.**

Link to nominee's video statement: (Insert link here).

Section E: Additional Documentation

Additional documentation is **optional**.

You may include up to three (3) additional forms of documentation (PDF, Word document, music file, etc. Each of the aforementioned would count as one form of documentation) to accompany this nomination. **Only three (3) forms of documentation will be judged.**

The following are suggestions for additional documentation for each category that may be provided:

- **Academics**—school transcripts, report cards, accelerated programs, academic awards, work samples, statement of change in student’s academic achievement.
- **Arts**—copies of artwork, event programs, CDs or DVDs of music, dance performances, drama performances, and so on.
- **Athletics**—awards, teams participated in, statements from athletic directors or P.E. teachers.
- **School and Community Activities**—record of activities, statements from activity leaders, certificates, awards.
- **Self-Advocacy**—statement of how the student educates others (teachers, students, community) on their needs or the needs of others with disabilities; examples of the accommodations the student has requested to enhance learning and accessibility.
- **Technology**—record of technology used, how it has impacted the student or others, skills the student has learned through technology use.
- **Transition**—employment history, performance reviews, certificates, awards, statement of achievement from employers/co-workers/teachers/coaches/transition officers, record of progress made in acquiring work, vocational, or independent living skills.

If submitting PDFs, Word documents, artwork, etc., please scan and attach the documents. If submitting video documentation, please upload the video(s) to YouTube and provide the links below. **Do not attach video files to the nominating materials.**

Link to video documentation: (Insert link here)

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Section F: Nominee Photo

Please include one high-resolution color headshot photo of the student in JPG, GIF or TIFF format. The photo must be print-quality.

Photos should be uploaded and attached to the nomination email.

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Before you send your nomination:

- Make sure you’ve completed the **entire Nomination Form**, providing specific information about the nominee, and ensure the appropriate letters of recommendation, the nominee’s statement, additional documentation and a photo of the nominee are included with the

nomination. The more complete and detailed the information, the better. *Make sure you provide information that addresses the nominee's achievements in the category in which s/he is nominated.*

- Double-check that the nominee's name is spelled correctly on ALL materials, as it will be printed on his or her Certificate of Accomplishment.
- **Submit one e-mail with all nomination materials to Ohio CEC Headquarters at LeslieG8985@gmail.com by April 24, 2019.**
- All submissions will receive a confirmation e-mail within three days.
- Additional documentation (e.g., newspaper articles, certificates of achievement, artwork) must be scanned and included as images or PDF files and count toward the three additional documentation limit.
- Please use the file name to **clearly label** all files submitted (e.g., "John_Smith_2019YesICan.doc" or "John_Smith_Nomination_Form.doc" or "John_Smith_Recommendation_1.doc").

Thank you for nominating a student for a Yes I Can award!