



OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION

KIDSBRIDGE, in partnership with the ALLISON VANDAL LEGACY PROGRAM and the NJ State Commission on Holocaust Education

ANNOUNCES THE NINTH ANNUAL 2020 YOUTH HOLOCAUST / GENOCIDE AWARENESS AWARD COMPETITION

DEADLINE: MAY 8, 2020

TO: All principals, teachers and school counselors of students in 4th through 8th grades

Kidsbridge, the Allison Vandal Legacy program, and the NJ State Commission on Holocaust Education are pleased to announce the nomination process for a statewide Youth Holocaust/Genocide Awareness Award Competition. We invite you, or any of your staff, to nominate a student who has demonstrated an altruistic act of generating awareness, empathy and action for Holocaust/genocide education.

A team of independent judges from the community and representatives from both the Allison Vandal Legacy Program and the NJ Commission on Holocaust Education will review the nominations and select first, second and third place winners. They will receive certificates, books, and gift cards **(\$100, \$75 and \$50, respectively)** to acknowledge their humanitarian acts and deeds.

Please distribute this information to all teachers, school counselors and principals. We hope you'll take the time to nominate a student or students. Winners and their schools will be notified in late May, and winning students, family members and nominators will be our honored guests at the NJ State Holocaust Commission educators' conference on June 3rd in West Windsor, NJ. Questions? Please call (609) 771-0377.

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Kidsbridge provides interactive programs on bullying/cyberbullying, UPstander versus bystander behavior, genocide, name-calling, diversity appreciation and religious diversity. It is our dream to build a caring community of learners who are not only aware of historical atrocities, but wish to take action against the prejudice, hate crimes and genocides that continue to take place today.

To further our mission to promote mutual respect, diversity and cooperative citizenship, Kidsbridge will travel to your school with '*evidence-based*' elementary or middle school mobile outreach programs about holocaust/genocide, being an UPstander and making a difference.

In 2016, Allison Vandal won the statewide Kidsbridge Annual Youth Holocaust/Genocide Awareness award. The judges were so moved by both her interest in learning from history (bystanders vs. UPstanders) and the hope that she inspired, helping many students in her school. Her legacy provides the funding for the continuance of this important award recognition program for youth.

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Educators, we're counting on you to help us acknowledge and celebrate the young person or persons who inspire others to learn about and to take action against the Holocaust and genocide!

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NOMINATION FORM

Please print

Name of Nominated Student (one per page) _____

Nominator's Name _____

Nominator's: Cell (Important!) _____ Home phone _____

Nominator's Position _____

Name of School/Office/Agency _____

School/Office Address _____

Telephone _____ (Ext. _____)

E-Mail _____ (Circle one: Home, Office, School)

(Please note: All personal information will be kept confidential)

This form and your nomination description must be **received by May 8, 2020** in Kidsbridge's office either by:

1. SCAN / EMAIL to: lynne@kidsbridgecenter.org OR
2. MAIL to: Kidsbridge, 999 Lower Ferry Road, Ewing NJ 08628

INSTRUCTIONS: In one page or less (8½ x 11"), describe the actions or educational event(s) that you believe warrants special recognition. Judges receive one description page per entry. The description should include the age and grade of the youth. Feel free to duplicate this form and enter as many nominees as you wish. **Thank you!**

For additional information or you have questions, please call Kidsbridge at (609) 771-0377 or visit our website at www.kidsbridgecenter.org. Thank you for regaling our inspirational young humanitarians!

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