

Children of Promise

Coach of the Year Award - 2012

About the Award

This Award honors a worthy recipient who serves, or served, as a high school coach or assistant coach (grades 9-12) – for any sport - in Linn, Johnson, or Jones County in the last year (February 2011 – January 2012). The Award was conceived to recognize individuals whose coaching life and achievements demonstrate an enduring commitment to mentoring the youth they coach. We are looking for someone who has been an outstanding role model and had a positive mentoring influence on the team and/or an individual. The coach may be an unsung hero who has “flown under the radar” of a winning record(s). It can be for a body of work over years mentoring the youth they coach.

Nomination

Stated in 750 words or less, tell us how the nominee has been dedicated to role modeling and mentoring youth which goes beyond the physical skill building. Mentoring can be related to how they help the athletes to deal with adversity by teaching, encouraging and advocating on their behalf. Tell us how the nominee works to mentor youth - how they build character, leadership, and stewardship, as defined below. Be as specific as possible in citing examples of how they both embody these attributes as well as mentor the youth.

- **Character Education:** Willingness to place the welfare of athletes ahead of personal desire to win; perseverance and inner strength enabling youth to develop their potential and overcome personal challenges; team building to encourage youth to work cooperatively to bring out the best in a team. Taken from the Six Pillars of Character: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, Citizenship;
- **Leadership:** Uncompromising integrity and courage demonstrated by a willingness to do the right thing despite social pressures or personal risk;
- **Stewardship:** Demonstrates community service - generosity of spirit and willingness for self-sacrifice in devotion to helping others.

The judges will select a winner based entirely on the information you provide. Please let us see a clear image of your nominee through your writing.

Details

Eligible Nominees: Was an active coach or assistant coach (grades 9-12) from February 2011 – January 2012

Geographical area: Linn, Johnson, or Jones Counties

Length: 750 words or less, 12 point font, One page limit on narrative (not including the cover page or supplements)

Nominations can be written by: Anyone (Principals, Athletic Directors, Other Coaches, Peers, Parents, and Students)

Nomination Due Date: **March 2, 2012**

Questions? Contact Jean Kuehl at 319-730-1199

Recognition of Award Winner

The top three nominees will be recognized during the “Coaches for Kids” banquet on April 10, 2012. A plaque will be presented to the winner by Iowa Coach Kirk Ferentz. In addition, a **\$500.00 cash award** will be made in the name of the recipient to their respective athletic department or booster club.

Background on Development of this Award

This Award was conceived in support of the Children of Promise Programs, a Community Corrections Association supported initiative designed to provide mentoring support for at risk youth most in need. This award recognizes the fact that coaches are important adults who are providing mentoring support for the healthy growth and development of all our youth, but particularly those most in need.

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Coach of the Year Award Nomination - 2012

About the Nominee

Nominee's Name: _____
(Please list name as it should appear on Award/Certificate)

Nominee's Home Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Nominee's Home Phone Number: Area Code: _____ Phone No: _____

Nominee's Email: _____

Nominee's School or Organization: _____

School or Organization Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

School or Organization Phone: Area Code: _____ Phone No: _____

About the Nominator

Nominator's Name: _____

Nominator's Home Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Nominator's School or Organization (if different from above): _____

School or Organization Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Nominator's Daytime Phone Number(s): Area Code: _____ Phone No: _____

Nominator's Email: _____

Nominator's Relationship to Nominee: _____

Application Supplements – Two page limit (letters, photos, awards or news clippings)

Personal Reference: Please list the name and phone number of someone who knows the nominee.

Name: _____ Area Code: _____ Phone: _____

Certification of Nominator:

"All of the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge."

Nominator Signature: _____ Date: _____

Return nomination by March 2, 2012 to:

Community Corrections Improvement Association
"Coaches for Kids" Award Committee
951 29th Avenue SW, Cedar Rapids IA 52404

As an alternative, you may
e-mail your nomination to:
Jean.Kuehl@iowa.gov