

### LEXINGTON YOUNG ACHIEVERS PROGRAM

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## 31<sup>st</sup> Annual "Young Achievers"

This year, the Lexington Young Achievers Program, will sponsor the 31st Annual "Young Achievers" in cooperation with the International Leadership Network (ILN) a non-profit, charitable, 501 (c) (3) organization. The purpose of this program is to honor students in our community who serve as positive role models and to provide positive recognition at an early age. This program gives younger children more positive role models to look up to among their peers.

The local "Young Achievers" program has been affiliated with the International Leadership Network since its inception, with Holifield Photography beginning the local program in 1990. In 2020 over 700 students were nominated to the local program from 50 elementary and middle schools in Fayette County. "Young Achievers" has been an approved program by the National Association of Secondary School Principals since 1990.

#### In order to be eligible for this recognition, students must:

- 1. Be a 4th Grader or 7th Grader during the 2020 2021 school year.
- 2. Maintain an A/B grade average.
- 3. Participate and serve as a positive role model for their peers.
- 4. Volunteer in their community and exhibit good citizenship in their school.
- 5. Receive awards for exceptional achievement.
- 6. Have a special talent in science, art, dance, music, sports, theatre, etc.

#### The nominated student must participate in each of the following activities:

- 1. Completion of the online application by Sunday, May 23, 2021.
- 2. Virtual Orientation by Holifield Photography for information about the program, photography session and photographic display.
- 3. Be photographed by Holifield Photography for school displays\* as well as media recognition by Fall 2021.

## Awards & Recognition

#### Local Awards

- One student from each school will be named the top outstanding "Young Achiever" from their school during the 2021-2022 school year and receive:
  - Press releases for media recognition will be sent to individual school district offices.
  - "Gold Medallion" inscribed with the Young Achievers logo
  - Young Achievers Certificate
  - Young Achievers T-shirt
- In addition, two students will be named:
  - Central KY Middle School Young Achiever of the Year & \$250 Check
  - Central KY Elementary School Young Achiever of the Year & \$250 Check

#### National Awards

- National awards are presented each year by the International Leadership Network. Announcements of national winners will take place before the end of the 2010-2022 school year.
  - National Middle School Young Achiever of the Year & \$100 Check
  - National Elementary School Young Achiever of the Year & \$100 Check

In 2013, Lauren Bolt from Tates Creek Middle School was the national winner for "Middle School Young Achiever of the Year." In 2014, Graham Wilson from Athens-Chilesburg Elementary was the national winner for "Elementary School Young Achiever of the Year." In 2017, Nathan Feese from Morton Middle was the national winner for "Middle School Young Achiever of the Year."

#### Photographic Displays

Students will be photographed at Holifield Photography and their portraits will be on display at their school\* in recognition of their accomplishments during the 2021-2022 school year.

### See back page to apply!

# Fill out the online form at

## www.centralky.youngachiever.us/apply

You will be providing contact information and submitting your student biography (see below).



# **Student Biography**

# List a <u>MAXIMUM of 10</u> leadership positions, participation in activities, or any awards you have received in school, community or religious organizations.

For more examples, go to facebook.com/HolifieldPhotography



### Example:

Co-Recipient 6th-grade AWANA Leadership Award, 2019 K-Prep Distinguished in Language Arts, 2017-2018 & 2018-2019 school years 6th-grade 'Humanitarian Award' winner All-District Honors Orchestra participant, 2019 '110%' Chorus award, 2018-2019 6th-grade Accelerated Reader Award winner Student of the Month, November 2019 7th grade 1st Place Chemistry - Science Fair District Science Fair participant, 2019-2020 AWANA 2-year-olds Helper, Ashland Avenue Baptist Church