



## Kiwanis Club of East Lansing

### Emerging Leader Award

The Kiwanis Club of East Lansing honors and celebrates the accomplishments of local middle and high-school students through the Emerging Leader Award. Ideally, the award reinforces youth development of qualities valued by Kiwanis including community service, ethics and leadership.

The award is presented several times each school year to East Lansing students who display leadership in academic and community effort. These students are celebrated for achievements that suggest future success as community leaders.

The organization is hopeful that award recipients will continue to develop a thoughtful approach toward betterment of communities through personal skill development and service to others.

**Nominations Welcomed:** Instructors and school administrators are encouraged to submit nominations for emerging student leaders throughout the academic year. Nominations may be brief and should address student qualities in the following five areas.

- Citizenship including thoughtfulness and service to others
- Creativity
- Academic record (if not a strong record then one demonstrating a trajectory of improvement)
- Work ethic as denoted by participation in school and community activities
- Goal setting and a vision for the future

Students selected for recognition, along with two guests of their choosing, are invited to a noontime Monday luncheon hosted by the Kiwanis Club of East Lansing at the MSU Union Building. The nominating instructor or school administrator are also guests at the luncheon and play an important role in introducing the student and their family. The emerging leader receives a certificate, a personal monetary award, and is invited to denote a local charity to which the Kiwanis Club of East Lansing will make a donation in the student's name. The nominating teacher or administrator also receives a monetary contribution for use in promoting continued classroom progress. Emerging Leaders are recognized publicly at the luncheon meeting and through local publications. Teachers and administrators are reminded to include student name and grade level in all nominations. Direct nominations and inquiries to [emergingleader@kiwanisofel.org](mailto:emergingleader@kiwanisofel.org) using a subject of "Kiwanis Emerging Leader". Questions may be directed to Michael Hudson at 517-884-1903.

**About Kiwanis:** Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time. The Kiwanis Club of East Lansing consists of nearly 100 local leaders who strive to dedicate personal effort and Kiwanis principles to the betterment of our local community.

## **Kiwanis Club of East Lansing Emerging Leader Nomination Form**

Please direct nominations for middle and high school students using the following as a guide.  
Nominations should be sent to [emergingleader@kiwanisofel.org](mailto:emergingleader@kiwanisofel.org)

Nominators name:

Nominators Phone:

Nominators e-mail:

Student's Name:

Grade/Class level:

In a page or less, please describe the emerging leadership traits you would like to formally celebrate with Kiwanis Club of East Lansing. Nominated students need not be top academic performers but should be working diligently to improve and grow in areas including:

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