

**GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
OF THE ANNUNCIATION
Church and Community Youth Service Award**



Applications can be obtained at the Church Office or online at:
<http://www.annunciationrochester.org>

The Church of the Annunciation believes in the worth, ability and integrity of our youth. We have therefore established our Church and Community awards program to recognize the outstanding contributions by young people in church activities, school, and in the community at large. It is our hope that through this recognition we will encourage youth to value service and commitment to their community.

The Parish Council will offer several awards every year to outstanding young people. These awards are not scholarships but "Awards of Merit" to be used to further aims and purposes in achieving educational goals.

Eligibility and Qualifications:

Any student who is currently attending a middle school, high school or College/trade School during the past academic year is eligible. Students who received awards last year are kindly asked not to apply a 2nd year in a row, to allow other candidates to be recognized this year. To be considered for the award the applicant must have fulfilled the following:

Applicant:

- A. Must be an active member of an Annunciation youth activity; or, if away from home must be a participant in some form of Orthodox Church activity.
- B. Applicant or at least one parent must be a member of the Church of the Annunciation and in good standing.

Award Disbursement:

The Parish Council will ask a committee of community leaders to review all completed applications and choose candidates. The specific age group and amount of individual awards will be presented based on grade level in school or college, and merits of the applicants

Criteria and priority:

Supporting documentation should address the applicant's commitment towards church, school and community endeavors with specific references to the areas cited below. Priority will be given to all spiritual endeavors. Letters of reference will play a significant role in verifying participation and selecting the awardees.

1. **Service:** Active participation in church, school, the community, with a high degree of cooperation, courtesy and consideration for others.

2. **Dependability:** Applicant must have executed responsibilities with truthfulness, loyalty and punctuality.
3. **Leadership:** Applicant must have demonstrated ability to lead with self-control, dignity and responsibility.
4. **Clear Sense of Purpose:** Applicant must have pursued selected endeavors with sincerity and integrity.

The candidate must:

1. Complete application.
2. Obtain two letters of recommendation from individuals in leadership positions. One letter must be from the applicant's Church, and one from their current school, excluding relatives.

These letters as well as completed applications should be mailed to:

**Service Award Committee
Church of the Annunciation
962 East Ave.
Rochester, NY 14607**

They may also be hand delivered to the church office, Monday through Friday, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM any time before the deadline.

All applications and supporting information become the property of The Parish Council, which will have discretionary authority in all matters pertaining to these awards.

<p>The deadline date for receipt of completed applications and letters of recommendation is June 10, 2009.</p>

If you have any questions, call the office at 244-3377.

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Church and Community Service Award Application

May be typed or in student's clear handwriting



Name _____
Last First Middle

Home Address _____
Number and Street City State / Zip Code

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____
Month / Day / Year City / Country

Attending _____
School

What grade are you currently in? _____ Date of Graduation _____

Are you working during the school year? _____ Where? _____

Hrs/Wk? _____ Duties _____

List activities in which you have been involved this year. (References to past years are acceptable to establish consistency, but please keep it brief)

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS

AIMS AND PURPOSES: (Approximately 100 words per section)

1. Describe meaningful experiences you had in your church, school, or community activities during the past year and how have you grown from these experiences.

2. What are your specific goals in family, church, school, or community for the upcoming calendar year? Be clear on your sense of purpose.

I, _____, have completed this application truthfully and sincerely.
(printed name)

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

This application must be submitted to the church office by June 10, 2009.

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Church and Community Service Award Application Personal Reference Form



Personal reference for: _____

The student named above has applied for the Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation Service award. It is extremely important that you comment honestly on the qualities of this student. Please, also, indicate in what context you have known this student. This reply will be kept in strict confidence. **All references must be received by June 10, 2009.**

Mail directly to:

Service Award Committee
Church of the Annunciation
962 East Avenue
Rochester, NY 14607

Please comment on this student's qualities of

- Leadership
- Character
- Responsibility
- Other related characteristics

Signature _____
Position _____

Date: _____
Phone: _____