



## **Distinguished Citizen Award**

### Nomination Information & Form

#### **Background**

Harper Creek Community Schools has been the cornerstone of our community since the 1950s and we are privileged to call our 82 square mile school district home. Many families have lived in our school district for decades and have made great contributions to ensure that Harper Creek always strives for excellence in academics, teaching, sports, the arts and in life. It is our privilege to honor these positive role models to show our current students and surrounding areas the value in giving back to one's community through our Distinguished Citizen Award.

#### **The Nomination and Selection Process**

The purpose of this form is to nominate a person who has lived in the Harper Creek school district for at least 20 years (years do not have to be continuous) and who has distinguished him/herself through outstanding leadership, character, integrity, and service to our Harper Creek community.

The nominee must demonstrate the above qualities listed that will inspire the students of Harper Creek Community Schools in their pursuit of excellence.

The nominee may be living or deceased.

Nominations are accepted September 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup> and will be considered for the current school year. Nomination packages will be kept for two years from year of submission. The distinguished citizen will be recognized during the graduation ceremony in June and is expected to attend to receive his/her award. The distinguished citizen will also be recognized at a community reception the same day as graduation.

Applications should be submitted to:

Harper Creek Community Schools  
Attn: Sharon Zebell, Distinguished Citizen Award  
7454 B Drive North, Battle Creek, MI 49014  
[zebells@harpercreek.net](mailto:zebells@harpercreek.net)

## The Nomination Review Process

All submitted nomination packages will be reviewed by a seven person Distinguished Citizen Selection Committee comprised of members of the Harper Creek Board of Education, faculty and the community. This committee will make their final selection(s) no later than the end of February each year with the awardee(s) notified at that time.

The more thorough the information provided to the selection committee, the more likely the person will be considered to receive the distinguished citizen award.

## Past Honorees

### Alumni

Dr. Christine (Jordan) Draper '92  
Kristen D. (Marlatt) King '81

2016

### Citizens

Allyn Miller

2017

Diane Smith '85

Verne DeYoung

2018

Amy (Smith) Rosa '60

James R.C. Hazel Jr.

2019

Tracy Tomak '85

**Distinguished Citizen Award Nomination Form---Due February 28**

**Submitter Information**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Comments:

**Nominee Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Years lived in Harper Creek school district: \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

1. Why do you feel that the nominee deserves the Harper Creek Distinguished Citizen Award? Please elaborate.



7. List any other major occupation/titles/employers/locations.

8. Provide additional information, comments or observations.

Thank you for submitting this nomination form!