Dear ICEARY Members,

It is time to start thinking about the ICEARY conference in March. We, at the ICEARY board and in conjunction with the Kane County ROE, are coordinating the Outstanding Student Awards program this year and are excited to read about the fantastic students you serve.

We are hoping to get at least one nomination from each region. To nominate a student, there are 4 things we need from you. First of all, you need to be a member of ICEARY. If you haven't yet joined, please do so. You can go to the ICEARY website (www.iceary.net) for information on joining. Unfortunately, we are unable to accept any nominations that come from non-members.

If you are already a member, there are a few things we need so you can officially nominate your student(s). Only #1 needs to be faxed, mailed, or scanned in and emailed. Everything else can be sent via email.

- 1) The attached signature page needs to be filled out and either faxed, mailed, or scanned in and emailed to us.
- 2) We need a written description from you, the nominator, as to why you think this student deserves to win. Please take some time with this. It really helps us decide who should be our finalists.
- 3) We need an essay from the student listing why he/she believes he/she deserves the award. Specifically, what obstacles he/she has overcome and why the program was helpful to him/her.
- 4) Please take pictures of your student. We use these in the presentation that will be showing during the luncheon. It would be nice to have AT LEAST two pictures of each student nominated.

Thank you all for your hard work. We know that you are very busy and this does take some time, but our students are always 50 thrilled to be recognized for their efforts.

Please call or email if you have any questions. Thank you for your time and effort!

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## ICEARY Outstanding Student Award Nomination Form Nominations must be received by February 7, 2020

Contact Name:
Program Name:
Address:
Phone: Email:
County: ICEARY Region #:
I nominate as a candidate for the ICEARY Outstanding Student 2020 Award.
Participant:Active or Past (within 2 years)
Gender:Age: Grade: Entry Date: Exit Date:
Complete Student Address:
or intervention program:
I grant permission for this nomination to be re-printed for the ICEARY conference brochure and for potential press releases. I also grant permission for my photograph to be used during the awards presentation luncheon.
Student Signatures (Parent if under age 18)

In addition to the written nomination, please submit 2 jpeg photos of the student being nominated to display in a presentation during the awards luncheon.

Describe your reasons for nominating the student in terms of the following criteria (attach additional pages as necessary):

- 1. Demonstration of tenacity to overcome difficult family and/or home circumstances or other obstacles to complete/continue education.
- 2. Possession of exemplary skills or abilities that help the student succeed.
- 3. Significant achievement(s) while in the program or as a result of program participation.

Please have your student write an essay explaining in his/her words why he/she should be considered for this award.

Email nominations & .jpeg photos to: kglenn@kaneroe.org

Fax, mail, or scan in and email signature page to Kari Glenn.

All nominations, essays, and pictures must be received by February 7, 2020.