



**Time Sensitive Information**

February 20, 2017

Dear Educator,

The Kentucky Council for Exceptional Children (KYCEC) is once again honoring students with the KYCEC Yes I Can! Awards program. KYCEC would like to acknowledge the outstanding achievements of children and youth with exceptionalities throughout the state.

Students may be nominated in any one of the following categories: academics, arts, community and school activities, self-advocacy, technology, and transition. Award winners in each category will be given special recognition at the KYCEC Yes I Can! Awards program during the Kentucky Exceptional Children’s Conference in November 2017. Kentucky winners will then be nominated for the national Yes I Can! Awards.

KYCEC is asking for your support to promote the Yes I Can! Awards program for eligible students. Please encourage teachers, families, friends, support workers and others in the field of Special Education to nominate a student. Nominations forms can be found at <https://goo.gl/forms/Hpg3xgm4kvWUmk483> Applications must be submitted electronically between March 15 and May 1, 2017. No late applications will be accepted.

For additional information, contact Debbie Samples at [debbie.samples@graves.kyschools.us](mailto:debbie.samples@graves.kyschools.us)

Thank you for your assistance in advertising this program.

Sincerely,

*Debbie Samples*

KYCEC Yes I Can Awards Committee, Chair

**Below Parent Permission Form**



YES I CAN! Award

Parent Consent / Release of Information

I give permission for my child to be considered for the state Yes I Can! Awards including all publicity associated with this award. I understand that information about my child will be reviewed by others during the selection process. If my child is selected as a state winner, I give permission for KY CEC to share information with national CEC and submit a nomination for consideration at the national level.

Parent's Signature

Date

Nominator agrees to maintain a copy of all original documents, photos, & videos for submission to KY CEC if requested.

Nominator's Signature

Date

Photo / Video Release form

\_\_\_\_\_, I hereby give the (Parent's name)

Kentucky Council for Exceptional Children / Council for Exceptional Children the absolute and irrevocable right and permission, with respect to the photographs that the Council has taken of me, or in which I may be included with others:

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Child Appearing in Photograph / Video (adult signature required)

I represent that I am the (Father, Mother, Guardian) of \_\_\_\_\_, the above named child. I hereby consent to the foregoing on his/her behalf. I have read the foregoing and fully understand the contents thereof

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

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