

INLIVIAN YOUTH OF THE MONTH – GUIDELINES Honoring Excellence in Achievement, Resilience and Talent

INLIVIAN, formally the Charlotte Housing Authority is pleased to present the INLIVIAN Youth of the Month Awards. INLIVIAN's CORE Programs, INC will be showcasing two youth in middle or high school students each month in recognition of outstanding achievement in academics, athletics, the arts or overcoming a significant adversity.

Nomination Process

In order to be recognized for his or her achievements, the students must be nominated. A nominator can be the student, parent or anyone who knows of a deserving INLIVIAN youth for recognition.

Each nominee must submit the following:

- 1) Youth of the Month Application Form
- 2) PowerSchool report card or unofficial transcript from current school year
- 3) Supporting Documents (Recommendation letter, Certificates, News Articles, Award Letters, Photos, etc.) Please send <u>copies</u> only as these will become the property of the INLIVIAN. <u>They will NOT be</u> returned.

Category and Nomination Criteria

- 1) Academics Students will be recognized for outstanding academic achievements in the classroom. This will also include students who have shown consistent academic performance and those who have shown academic progress over the academic school year. Application should include a transcript or report card, list of academic awards, achievements, honors and recommendation from a teacher or counselor. High school students must have at least a 3.50 GPA.
- 2) **Athletics -** Students will be recognized for outstanding athletic performance in a school or community sport(s) (e.g., football, basketball, cheerleading, soccer, baseball, volleyball, track, wrestling, etc.). Students will be required to provide supporting documentation of awards, achievements, honors and a recommendation from a coach. High school students must have at least a 2.75 GPA.
- 3) **Arts -** Students will be recognized for outstanding accomplishment in performance or visual arts within their school or Charlotte Mecklenburg community. Students will be required to provide supporting documentation of awards, achievements, honors and recommendation from teacher or instructor. High school students must have at least a 2.75 GPA.
- 4) **Adversity -** Students with a disability, illness or other condition will be recognized for overcoming limitations and finding ways to excel in the face of adversity. Please submit a recommendation letter from an adult individual who has shared or is aware of the student's experience.

Awards and Deadlines

All completed application packets received by the third Friday of each month will be considered for selection the following month. Any student not selected will automatically be considered for selection in future months. There is no need to resubmit an application.

All students who are nominated based on the criteria above will be considered for recognition. From those nominated, two students will be selected for an award each month.

Judging

Applications will be judged by a panel of INLIVIAN staff and community experts.

Recognition

All nominees will be recognized at the INLIVIAN Youth Awards in 2021.

Incomplete or late application packets will not be judged.

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