

ATHENA Youth Leadership Award

NOMINATION Form



The ATHENA Youth Leadership Award honors individuals that are under the age of 18 who are empowering and amplifying the voices of women and girls. This award highlights individuals that are creating an environment that is inclusive and collaborative, where others feel valued and respected. It recognizes exceptional youth leaders who are expanding and deepening their impact by how they live and lead in their community.

THE CRITERIA

Nominees must meet each of the following criteria:

- Demonstrates The Eight Principles of Enlightened Leadership™ in all aspects of their life.
- Demonstrates excellence by taking on leadership roles and expanding their knowledge and personal growth.
- Provides valuable service to improve the quality of life for others in their community that are unlike themselves.
- Actively assist, peers in achieving their full leadership potential.

NOMINEE & NOMINATOR INFORMATION

Nominee Name: _____

Age: _____

School/Org: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

City/State: _____

Nominator Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Org/Affiliation: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

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Please keep responses focused and concise. Word limit noted next to each question.

CORE CRITERIA

1. Describe how the nominee demonstrates the Eight Principles of Enlightened Leadership™ in their personal, academic, or community life. (250 words max)

2. Provide specific examples of how the nominee has supported or empowered women and/or girls. (250 words max)

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YOUTH AWARD CRITERIA

3. Describe how the nominee empowers and amplifies the voices of women and girls. *(250 words max)*

4. Share examples of leadership roles, community service, and initiatives. *(300 words max)*

THE PROCESS

A Selection Committee, made up of a diverse group of community leaders, will review all nominations and select the ATHENA Youth Leadership Award Recipient. The Recipient will be announced: October 15th, 2026.

QUESTIONS

Contact: dsamples@howell.org

Submission Deadline: July 30th, 2026