

# Coming Together For Children



## Hearts and Hands Award: Nomination Form

**Directors: Please copy this form and share with your preschool staff, parents and board members.**

**“The Hearts and Hands Award”** has been established to recognize the contributions of early childcare professionals who support a high quality preschool experience. These professionals play a critical role in a child’s social, educational and emotional development by nurturing a child’s confidence, supporting imagination and creativity, and by advocating for the well-being of all children and their families. The CTFC Committee may honor up to five outstanding preschool professionals, one in each category below, who make a difference in the lives of young children of Cabarrus or Stanly County.

### Eligibility

Nominations are open to all preschool professionals of Cabarrus or Stanly County. Nominees must meet the following criteria:

- Be a current or former employee of a Cabarrus or Stanly County full or part-day early childcare facility or church-based program, a homecare provider or public, charter or private school or agency serving children 0-8 Or an advocate serving in the community in another profession.
- Has worked in early childcare a minimum of three years.
- Be nominated by a person (who is not a relative) affiliated with the preschool program (e.g. colleague, administrator, supervisor, parent of a student, preschool board member etc.)
- Be in good standing with no active contractual infractions and/or recent state licensing violations.

### Selection Process

Applications will be screened and scored by a panel of non-partial educators and early childhood education experts.

- Applications must be **received by February 25, 2019**
- Awards will be presented at the Coming Together for Children Teacher Appreciation Dinner to be held this year on Thursday, March 7, 2019 at Crossroads Church 220 George W Liles Pkwy NW Concord NC
- A commitment to excellence in teaching or service; a willingness to go “above and beyond.”
- Enthusiasm for the care and education of young children.
- Positive relationships with colleagues, the preschool and the community.

Use the back of this form to nominate an individual for The Coming Together for Children annual

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Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ School/Program: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of nominee's supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ School/Program Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## Section I: General Information

The individual above is nominated for: (please check one)

- Child Care or Preschool Director/ Program Chair/Executive Director of the Year
- Part-Day Preschool Teacher or Assistant of the Year
- Family Child Care Professional of the Year
- Child Care Teacher or Assistant of the Year (includes NC Pre-K Teachers, K-2 teachers & college instructors/professors)
- Support Staff of the Year (includes cooks, administrative staff, agency support, maintenance or cleaning staff)
- Community Advocate for Children

## Section II: Information about the Nominee

Please submit a statement that includes answers to the following questions and does not exceed 500 words.

- Based on the criteria listed, why do you believe this person should be chosen for this honor?
- How has this person contributed to the quality early childcare experience for children in the classroom/school/community?
- Explain any noteworthy accomplishments.
- Explain (if known) how this person has worked to improve the lives of, or advocated for children beyond the work setting.

Please attach your statement to this form. **Nominations must be received by February 25, 2019**

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