



## **OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION**

### **KIDSBRIDGE**

**in partnership with the ALLISON VANDAL LEGACY PROGRAM  
and the NJ State Commission on Holocaust Education**

**ANNOUNCES THE SEVENTH ANNUAL**

## ***2018 YOUTH HOLOCAUST / GENOCIDE AWARENESS AWARD COMPETITION***

**DEADLINE: MAY 18, 2018**

**TO:** All principals, teachers and school counselors of students in fourth through 8th grade

Kidsbridge, the Allison Vandal Legacy program and NJ's State Commission on Holocaust Education are pleased to announce the nomination process for a statewide Youth Holocaust/Genocide Awareness Award Competition. We invite you, or any of your staff, to nominate a student who has demonstrated an altruistic act of generating awareness, empathy and action for Holocaust/genocide education.

A team of independent judges from the community and representatives from both the Allison Vandal Legacy Program and the NJ Commission on Holocaust Education will review the nominations and select the winners. Winners will receive certificates, books and gift cards as an acknowledgement of their humanitarian acts and deeds.

Please distribute this information to all teachers, school counselors and principals. We hope you'll take the time to nominate a student or students. Winners and their schools will be notified in late May. Winning students, family members and nominators will be our honored guests at a NJ State Holocaust Commission educators' meeting on June 7th. Questions? Please call (609) 771-0377.

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Kidsbridge provides interactive programs on bullying/cyberbullying, UPstander versus bystander behavior, genocide, name-calling, diversity appreciation and religious diversity. It is our dream to build a caring community of learners who are not only aware of historical atrocities, but wish to take action against the prejudice, hate crimes and genocides that continue to take place today.

To further our mission to promote mutual respect, diversity and cooperative citizenship, Kidsbridge will travel to your school with '*evidence-based*' elementary or middle school mobile outreach programs about holocaust/genocide, being an UPstander and making a difference.

In 2016, Allison Vandal won the statewide Kidsbridge Annual Youth Holocaust/Genocide Awareness award. The judges were so moved by both her interest in learning from history (bystanders vs. UPstanders) and the hope that she inspired, helping many students in her school. Her legacy provides the funding for the continuance of this important award recognition program for youth.

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Educators, we're counting on you to help us acknowledge and celebrate the young person or persons who inspire others to learn about and to take action against the Holocaust and genocide!

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### **NOMINATION FORM**

*Please print*

Name of Nominated Student (one per page) \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Position \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School/Office/Agency \_\_\_\_\_

School/Office Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ (Ext. \_\_\_\_\_)

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ (Circle one: Home, Office, School)

***(Please note: All personal information will be kept confidential)***

This form and your description must be **received by May 18, 2018** in Kidsbridge's office either by:

1. SCAN/EMAIL to: [lynne@kidsbridgecenter.org](mailto:lynne@kidsbridgecenter.org) OR
2. MAIL to: Kidsbridge, 999 Lower Ferry Road, Ewing NJ 08628

**INSTRUCTIONS:** In one page or less (8½ x 11"), describe the actions or educational event(s) that you believe warrants special recognition. Judges receive one description page per entry. The description should include the age and grade of the youth. Feel free to duplicate this form and enter as many nominees as you wish. **Thank you!**

For additional information or you have questions, please call Kidsbridge at (609) 771-0377 or visit our website at [www.kidsbridgecenter.org](http://www.kidsbridgecenter.org). Thank you for regaling our inspirational young humanitarians!

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