



# The Shining Star Award 2019

Recognition for Excellence in Supporting Special Education

Honoring excellence in educators and support personnel who contribute to the acceptance and success of Westfield students with disabilities.

## Call for Nominations

by/from students, parents, guardians, and families

SEPAC (Special Education Parent Advisory Council) is currently accepting nominations of educators and support personnel who *go the extra mile* to serve the Westfield District Schools' special education community and inspire others to do the same.

The Recognition of Excellence in Supporting Special Education is an important way for the community to thank those who through dedication, creativity, patience, and determination help students receiving special education to experience success.

**Nominations must be postmarked by Friday, April 5, 2019.**

### How to Submit Nominations

Three ways to submit: 1) Fill out the form online at <http://bit.do/sepac2019> . 2) Or, nominations may be submitted by mail or email and postmarked by April 5, 2019. The Nomination form is on the back side of this paper. 3) Or, download a nomination form from the SEPAC Facebook Page: Westfield MA Special Education Parent Advisory Council. If you have questions, please contact Rachel Bullock at [westfieldSEPAC@gmail.com](mailto:westfieldSEPAC@gmail.com).

### Who Makes the Selections?

The award nominations will be reviewed by a panel on the Westfield SEPAC leadership committee. Recipients will be selected on the strength of the individual nominations.

### Award Ceremony

Awardees will be honored during the 4th annual recognition and award ceremony on Thursday, May 2, 2019, 6:30 - 8:00 pm at Westfield Technical Academy cafeteria.

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### Nomination Form

To nominate, please use this form and email it to [westfieldsepac@gmail.com](mailto:westfieldsepac@gmail.com) or mail to:

Westfield SEPAC  
Special Services  
94 N Elm St. Suite 201  
Westfield, MA 010805

#### Instructions:

Complete the form below and attach a nominating statement of 500 words or less postmarked to the address above or emailed to [westfieldsepac@gmail.com](mailto:westfieldsepac@gmail.com) by Friday, April 5, 2018.

Nomination forms are also on the SEPAC's Facebook page: Westfield MA Special Education Parent Advisory Council, and as an online fileable form at <http://bit.do/sepac2019>.

**Name of Person Nominated\*:**

**Name of School where nominee attends/works\*:**

**Nominee Contact Information\***

Please include school information in order to contact the nominee.

Email:

Position/Role:

**Nominated By\***

Name of Person Submitting Nomination:

Email:

Address:

Would you like your name to be kept confidential? Yes or No\_ (Please circle one)

**NOMINATING STATEMENT\***

Attach a nominating statement of no more than 500 words explaining how the nominee deserves special recognition. Your statement should include specific details of how this person goes the extra mile to serve the special education community. Supporting statements from students and/or parents/guardians can be included.

\*Required information