

**Nicholas Green Distinguished Student Award 2008-2009 School Year**  
(Application Packets must be postmarked by April 15, 2009)

MAGC is pleased to announce the continuance of the NAGC-Nicholas Green Distinguished Student Awards for the 2008-2009 school year. The awards are designed to recognize excellence in young children. The awards, which include a \$500 U.S. Savings Bond, may be made to students in grades 3-6 who have distinguished themselves in academics, leadership, or the arts. Nominations will be accepted from the students themselves, parents, teachers, peers, and community and civic groups.

**Selection Criteria:**

- Students must be in grades 3 through 6 at the time of the nomination.
- Outstanding student accomplishment may be in the areas of academics, the arts, or leadership.
- Student applicants must submit a written composition about why they feel their effort is important and how they got interested in the area for which they are being recognized. Compositions should describe (1) the activity or interest area for which the student is being nominated; (2) how the student got interested/involved in the activity; (3) what impact the activity has had on the student and on others; and (4) how the student's future plans and goals have been affected by this activity or interest area.
- At least one letter of recommendation, from someone other than a nominee's family member, explaining why the student nominee is deserving of the award, what sets him/her apart from other students, and how the student is impacting others.

**Submission to MAGC:**

- Completed Student Nomination Form including the signed publicity release form.
- Copy of the student's composition.
- Letter(s) of recommendation.
- Self-addressed, stamped postcard, which will be used to acknowledge receipt of the application packet.

**Mail completed packets to: Dr. Sandra Manning – 166 Jeff Byrd Road – Laurel, MS 39443**

**Nicholas Green Distinguished Student Award Application Form 2008-2009**

**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Social Security #** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Age** \_\_\_\_\_ **Birth Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade at Time of Application** \_\_\_\_\_  
**School Name and Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Teacher's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Name of Parent/Guardian** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Name of Person Nominating Student** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Relationship to Nominee** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

**Release Form:** I hereby give the National Association for Gifted Children permission to use my child's photo\* and composition, submitted in connection with the NAGC Nicholas Green Distinguished Student Award, in any publicity or announcements NAGC may make about the award or the award winners, should my child be selected for the award. I further grant permission to NAGC to use my child's name, school name, and city/state in any publicity or announcements that uses his/her photo or composition, and to make edits to the length of the composition as may be necessary. I understand that neither my child nor I will receive any remuneration in connection with this permission and understand that the photo and the composition will not be returned to me.

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Printed Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-Mail** \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship to Nominee** \_\_\_\_\_

\*NAGC will request a photo of the award winners for use in award publicity and announcements. Do not send a photo with the application packet.