



2012 EXCEPTIONAL STAR OF THE YEAR AWARD

The John Lynch Foundation Exceptional Star of the Year award, presented by the Anna and John J. Sie Foundation, is given out to Denver area middle school or high school **exceptional** student-athletes based on their participation in athletics, academics and in community involvement. *Finalists will be invited to attend John Lynch Salute the Stars awards luncheon at Invesco Field where the awards will be presented.

FOUR WINNERS WILL BE CHOSEN AND EACH WILL RECEIVE A \$5000 AWARD

Criteria:

- **ONE award is designed for exceptional student-athletes with Down syndrome**
- **ONE award is designed for an exceptional student-athlete with a physical disability**
- Based on the individual applicant's ability, the students must show proven success in academics, interest and extraordinary effort in athletics, and a desire to be involved in their community.
- Applicants must be middle or high school aged (10 – 18 years old)
- Funds may be used towards a college education, post secondary education program, vocational program, therapeutic training, or any other program that will assist the winner in achieving their dreams. The program in which the funds are going to be applied to must be approved by the scholarship selection committee.

Instructions:

- Citing specific examples please fill out the information on the following page. Include information regarding the applicant's academic, athletic and community involvement, and any associated material that might be available. Please include brief information on the applicant's cognitive or physical disability.
- Please submit 2 letters of recommendation (from a teacher, coach, program coordinator, trainer, etc...)
- Please submit the following essay in one page or less: *"Please explain what obstacles you have had to overcome as a student-athlete; how participation in school, sports and community has molded you as a person; and describe your dreams."*
- Please email the information below in a word document along with the letters of recommendation and essay as email attachments to maggie@johnlynchfoundation.org. Please include "Exceptional Star of the Year" in the subject line. Or you may fax everything to the John Lynch Foundation at 813-831-4441.

APPLICATION DUE DATE: FEBRUARY 24, 2012

QUESTIONS? CALL 1.866.JLF.4747

FAX 813.831.4441

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EXCEPTIONAL STAR OF THE YEAR APPLICATION

School: _____

Please Check: MIDDLE SCHOOL HIGH SCHOOL

Nominee's Name: _____

Nominee's Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Grade: _____ Age: _____ Please Check: MALE FEMALE

Person nominating student-athlete: _____ Relationship: _____

Briefly describe the applicant's disability: _____

1. Academic Achievements: _____

2. Athletic Achievements: _____

3. Community Involvement: _____

