Lawrence Public Schools Presents:

**A MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. COMMUNITY CELEBRATION**

Do **YOU** know a student, any school district employee (teacher, administrator, district office staff) or community organization that exemplifies the heart, character, vision and leadership of Dr. Martin Luther King?

**NOMINATE them for the following awards:**

- MLK Heart of Service
- MLK Dreamer’s
- MLK Character
- MLK Champion of Equity

Lawrence Public Schools is pleased to announce the FIRST ANNUAL RECOGNITION OF THESE HIGHLY DISTINGUISHED HONORS! SEE BELOW FOR HOW TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES!

**Deadline for nominations is November 15, 2014!**

**Join us January 22, 2015 to see final candidates presented!!**

Award Descriptions & Applications online at:

www.mlklawrence.com AND www.usd497.org

Submit applications to MLKCelebration@usd497.org OR mail to:

ATTN: MLK Committee, 110 McDonald Drive, Lawrence, KS 66044

(785) 832-5000
**Martin Luther King Jr. Heart of Service Award**

This award is presented to individuals and/or groups that are making a significant impact on the community. Criteria include:

- Consistent service
- Demonstrates personal growth of nominee(s)
- Displays humility, integrity, commitment, and courage
- Significant impact on nominator
- Significant impact on those served
- Work done in the spirit of Dr. King’s legacy

**Martin Luther King Jr. Character Award**

This award is presented to individuals who demonstrate character through the maintenance of integrity and the balance of respect and responsibility. This award can be presented at multiple levels—pre-K, elementary, middle school, and high school. Criteria include:

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**Martin Luther King Jr. Dreamer’s Award**

This award is presented to a student and an adult who have courage to envision change and encourage change among friends, family, and community. Criteria include:

- Commitment to their dream
- Displays vision
- Inspiration to others
- Unique talent or effort that effects change
- Working to improve the world around them

**Martin Luther King Jr. Champion of Equity Award**

This award is presented to individuals for their compassionate and courageous efforts to create a diverse community and to bring about systemic change aimed at promoting justice and equity. This award can be presented at multiple levels—student, staff, and community. Criteria include:

- Compassion
- Courage
- Culturally Relevant Teaching
- Equity leader
- Persistence
**Martin Luther King Jr. Awards Nomination Form for Lawrence Public Schools Community Celebration**

**Name of Nominee:** __________________________________________________________________________

Circle all that apply: Individual  Group  Student  Community (non-USD 497 affiliated)

For Group Nominees
Name of primary contact: ___________________________ Group Name: ___________________________

For Individual Nominees
Name of nominee: __________________________________________

For Student Nominees
School: __________________________________________ Grade: _____________ Age: ___________________

Nominee email: ___________________________ phone & address_____________________________________

Nominator name: ___________________________ Nominator title: _________________________________

Nominator email: ___________________________ Nominator phone & address: ______________________

**Award for consideration, please circle:**
- MLK Heart of Service
- MLK Dreamer’s
- MLK Character
- MLK Champion of Equity

*Please fill out in a comfortable format for the nominator, whether it is a narrative, bullet points, concise phrasing, or other methods.*

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*Please feel free to attach additional information, in any format (visual, video, power point, etc.)*

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