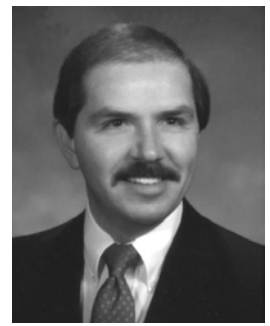


Rise Beyond the Horizon Mel Miller Memorial Award

Presented by: Interfaith Center for Racial Justice
In partnership with Macomb Intermediate School District



History of the Award

This award was established in memory of long-time Macomb County educator Mel Miller who sought to teach students the highest level of personal involvement in the pursuit of equality for others.

The award is presented by the Interfaith Center for Racial Justice in partnerships with Macomb Intermediate School District. It is designed to focus on the important role of education in helping students “rise beyond the horizon” in vision and in action as they become the future citizens of the world.

Purpose of the Award

The award honors an educator teacher for serving as an advocate for social change by bringing to the classroom extraordinary practices that help students understand, analyze and make decisions that promote positive social interactions.

Criteria for the Award

Any educator in a Macomb County District, who:

- through personal actions promotes an appreciation for and understanding of diversity within the school culture; and
- through teaching practices provides students with the tools to
 - recognize and analyze diversity issues (social, cultural, and ethnic)
 - behave in a way that promotes mutual respect, goodwill and understanding
 - make decisions without prejudice

Nomination Deadline

November 18, 2019, 4:00pm - return the nomination packet (see included information about packet requirements) to:

Sean McBrady - Macomb ISD
44001 Garfield Rd.
Clinton Township, MI 48038 OR
electronically to smcbrady@misd.net

Award Announcement

The winner will be honored at the Martin Luther King, Jr., Holiday Celebration Dinner, January 20, 2020.

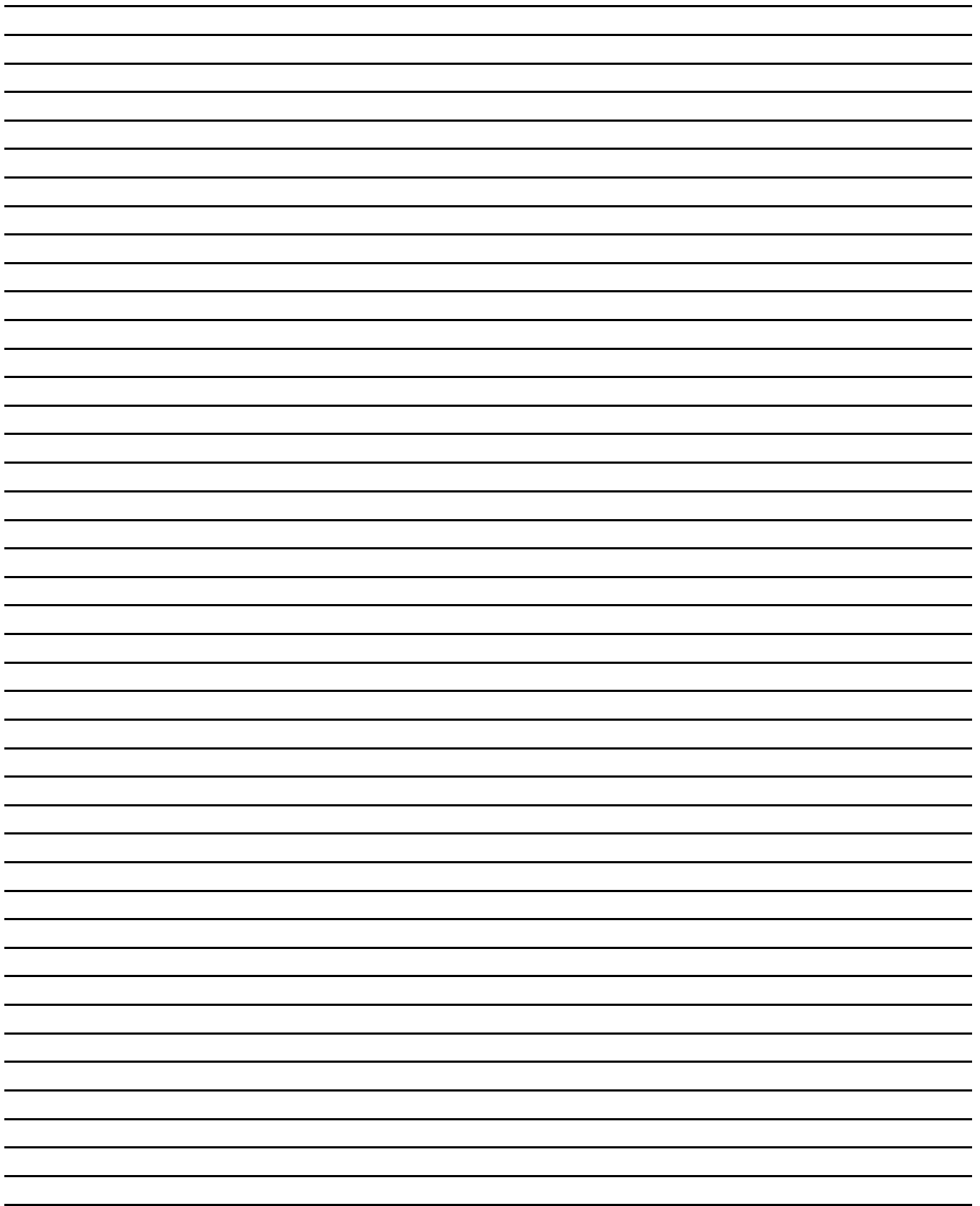
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Nomination Support Information

The **Rise Beyond the Horizon Mel Miller Memorial Award** honors a Macomb County K–12 educator for exemplary classroom practices that encourage mutual respect and understanding, instill an appreciation of diversity, and teach students to act without prejudice. Please provide information in **no more than three (3) typewritten pages in point type single-spaced**, that serve as evidence of practices in each of the following three categories:

1. Examples of how the teacher actively demonstrates commitment to advancing a “school culture” of mutual respect, understanding and appreciation for the cultural and ethnic diversity in the school.
2. Examples of how the teacher promotes positive behavior choices such as:
 - A. Recognizing bias
 - B. Analyzing and understanding the situations creating prejudice
 - C. Making decisions free of bias and prejudice for the well-being of all
3. Examples of how the teacher fosters a classroom “community” defined by mutual understanding, respect and equal opportunity

NOTE:

To be considered “award winning,” practices provided as evidence are those that go far beyond general classroom activities and special holiday observances. The selection committee will look for learning experiences that delve into recognizing and eliminating behaviors that support social intolerance and injustice, and give students solid tools to properly evaluate social situations and make choices that strengthen rather than divide our culturally rich population.



Nomination Submission Information
Deadline is 4:00pm, November 18, 2019

Nomination Packet Checklist

Must include:

Nominee Information Sheet, Nomination Support Information (no more than 3 pages), One (1) letter of support from another educator

May include:

Up to two additional letters of support from colleagues, administrators, parents or students

Send to:

Sean McBrady
Macomb Intermediate School District
44001 Garfield Rd.
Clinton Township, MI 48038-1100

No materials will be returned. Questions, contact Sean McBrady by phone at 586.228.3465, smcbrady@misd.net

...to rise beyond the horizon of legions of half-truth, prejudices and propaganda

Martin Luther King, Jr., 1947