

# “MAKE-A-DIFFERENCE” AWARD



## 2022 Nomination Form



The “Make a Difference” Award is given on an annual basis to individuals who have made a significant positive impact on the educational experience of a special needs student. The nominee must be presently employed by a school district within Macomb County or the MISD. As parents, we feel that it is important to recognize these people who have had a positive effect on the lives of our children.

Please consider the following criteria when completing your nomination. The candidate for this award must have the following characteristics, but is not limited to:

- Communicate with you as a parent
- Excite students to reach their maximum potential
- Meet your child’s individual needs
- Help to increase your child’s self-esteem
- Demonstrate team member skills

Criteria on page 2 of this form supporting the nominee must be provided for all nominations to qualify! Describe in detail the impact this special person has had on your child’s educational experience.

**YOU ARE NOT LIMITED BY THIS FORM.**  
Feel free to include additional pages if needed.

You may nominate a teacher, paraprofessional, support personnel (OT, PT, social worker, psychologist, speech pathologist) or any school personnel who is involved in your child’s education.



Questions? Contact anyone listed below:

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## NOMINATION FORM

(Must be completed along with supporting criteria document. See back of form.)

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| NOMINEE         | Name of M.A.D.A. <b>NOMINEE</b>  |                      |
|                 | Position of Nominee (SE teacher, parapro, etc.)  |                      |
|                 | Nominee works at ( <b>PLEASE CHECK ONE</b> ): <input type="checkbox"/> MISD <input type="checkbox"/> Elementary <input type="checkbox"/> Middle School <input type="checkbox"/> High |                      |
| School District |  | School/Building Name |
| NOMINATED BY    | Nominated By   |                      |
|                 | Address  | Email                |
|                 | City & ZIP Code  | Telephone Number     |
|                 | Does your child have a current IEP or IFSP in effect? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No   |                      |

**TO NOMINATE, PLEASE:**

Complete this page and the required supporting criteria form (attached)


Return both the nomination form **and** supporting criteria by **Friday, February 10, 2023**

Return electronically to: [jpuzella@misd.net](mailto:jpuzella@misd.net)

Or send by US Mail to:

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**DEADLINE:**  
**February 10, 2023**

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## **\*MANDATORY—Criteria for Make A Difference Award Nominee**

In order to best assist the PAC Leadership Team in their selection of this year's Make a Difference Award winners, please provide *detailed examples* of how your nominee qualifies in the following areas:

1. **Communication with parent(s):**

2. **Helps child reach maximum potential and meets his/her needs:**

3. **Increases child's self-esteem:**

4. **Displays team member skills:**

**\*Please provide any additional supporting comments below, in regard to your nominee and how he/she has made a significant positive impact in your child's educational experience (You may use additional sheets of paper, as *your response is not limited* by this form):**

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