







## Celebration of Youth (COY)

### 2023 Award Categories and Descriptions

Award Category	Sponsor	Description
1. <b>Agriculture and Environment Award</b>	<p><i>Sylvite Agri-Services and The Andersons Canada</i></p>  	<p>This award recognizes youth who have an interest in the field of agriculture or the environment. The successful candidate will be able to demonstrate his or her participation in either of these areas at the school or community level.</p>
2. <b>Apprenticeship Award</b>	<p><b>WINMAR</b></p> 	<p>This award has been established to recognize candidates who, having created for themselves a specific vision of their future, have established the necessary priorities, and have worked diligently toward their goal. The recipient will be recognized for a demonstrated proficiency in any apprenticeship area of skilled trades education, along with a dedicated commitment to pursuing trades participation beyond secondary school. The selection committee will look for related successes in both school and co-op placements.</p>
3. <b>Business Spirit Award</b>	<p><i>The Frank and Mary Uniac Foundation</i></p>	<p>The successful candidate will be goal oriented and have an interest in pursuing a career in business or commerce. They may have made an improvement in the workplace, developed a unique product or business or initiated a successful fundraising or community event.</p>
4. <b>Champion of Inclusive Communities Award</b>	<p><i>Community Living Wallaceburg</i></p> 	<p>This award has been created to recognize a candidate who has helped promote a community, where all people feel empowered to be valued citizens. The successful candidate will be a student who has taken steps to include people who face a barrier in their community. The candidate should be able to demonstrate examples of their work in school and/or community</p>

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		activities or providing leadership to encourage others to do the same. We also encourage the candidate to include examples of any volunteering that have undertaken in their application.
<b>5. Mental Health Champion Award</b>	<b>Canadian Mental Health Association</b>  <b>Canadian Mental Health Association</b> <i>Mental health for all</i>	This award will recognize a candidate who has demonstrated an interest in helping others or who has increased awareness of mental health through lived experience. The successful applicant will have demonstrated compassion, a strong work ethic, dedication and advocacy in the areas of psychology or mental health.
<b>6. Leadership/ Entrepreneurship Award</b>	<b>Municipality of Chatham-Kent – Mayoral Award</b>  <b>Chatham-Kent</b> Cultivating Growth, Shore to Shore	This award will be granted to a student who wishes to follow a non-traditional career path and who shows great promise as an entrepreneur. The successful candidate will showcase their leadership skills and will possess a diverse skill set that will allow them to pursue a career full of creativity and business innovation.
<b>7. Health Sciences Award</b>	<b>The Frank and Mary Uniac Foundation</b>	For those interested in pursuing a career in the field of healthcare at any level. The successful candidate will have exhibited leadership, community involvement and a passion for the health care field.
<b>8. Science and Technology Award</b>	<b>Maple Mutual Insurance</b> 	This award recognizes candidates who have a curiosity for the world of science and technology. The candidate will demonstrate a goal of pursuing a career in this area. The recipient will also provide examples of ways they have given back to the community.

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<b>9. Sports and Recreation Award</b>	<p><b><i>Mitchell's Bay Marine Park Ltd.</i></b> <b><i>and</i></b> <b><i>The Peever Family</i></b></p> 	<p>This award celebrates an individual who uses the power of sport and recreation (community or high school athletics via sport participation, physical/mental health education participation, volunteering, refereeing or coaching) to promote and enhance positive wellbeing. Applying candidates will demonstrate being an ambassador for promoting and exemplifying good health and wellbeing and understands the positive effect that encouraging open conversations about mental health and physical wellbeing can have on their peer group and in the community.</p>
<b>10. Volunteerism and Community Service</b>	<p><b><i>North Kent Wind</i></b></p> 	<p>The successful candidate will demonstrate the true potential of volunteers making a difference in their community by sharing their time and talent to a cause they are passionate about. They should be able to demonstrate how they have volunteered above and beyond the requirements of the Secondary School Diploma.</p>
<b>11. YMCA Youth Leadership Award</b>	<p><b><i>Chatham-Kent Family YMCA Foundation</i></b></p>	<p>The recipient of this award will be a YMCA employee or volunteer, or a family member of a YMCA employee or volunteer. The recipient must demonstrate YMCA core values: caring, honesty, respect, responsibility, and inclusiveness. The recipient must also have a strong commitment to volunteerism, as well as an</p>

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		appreciation for the impact that the YMCA has had on them and on others.