

This award is to honor a young person making an outstanding contribution to improving services and systems that support positive development and growth of young people involved in the juvenile justice, behavioral health, child welfare, and/ or education systems.

Deadline April 21st

Submit nominations to Jennifer Dell, SOC Manager of Family and Youth Treatment Services & Supports

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- The selection committee with include members of the State Youth Advisory Board.
- The section committee is solely responsible for the final selection of award recipient.

Selection Criteria

- Professional and/or individual with lived experience in the behavioral health, juvenile justice, education, and/or child welfare systems.
- Resident of Oklahoma.
- Under the age of 30.
- Outstanding performance as a youth or young adult advocate.
- Recognized as an advocate for the promotion of Youth Guided and Culturally Competent Care.
- Outstanding commitment to authentic representation of youth voice in a manner consistent and relative to youth culture and issues.
- Ongoing participation in youth-led projects and/or groups aimed to increase awareness of behavioral health, juvenile justice, education or child welfare issues.

The Rising Star will be announced at the Awards Luncheon at the Children's Behavioral Health Conference on May 18th, 2017.