Nominations Now Being Accepted for this Year's Arizona Secondary Transition Services Awards!

On behalf of the Arizona Department of Education, Exceptional Student Services, and other sponsoring agencies, you are invited to submit your nominations for this year's Transition Services Awards that will be presented at Arizona's Annual Transition Conference, Building Success: One Transition at a Time.

It is important for us to recognize some of the many successes in the provision of transition services that occur each year across Arizona – but we can't do it alone! We need your nominations to identify individuals that exceed expectations! After reading the information below, click on this link to submit your nomination: Nomination Form for Arizona's Secondary Transition Services Awards.

On the first page of the link, you will be given four categories to choose from to nominate someone for an Arizona Secondary Transition Services Award. After choosing a category, you will be provided with the form you need to complete. Be prepared to write a brief justification for your nomination (approximately 500 words). The justification will be reviewed and used for the selection process; therefore, it is important that the summary clearly identifies how the individual has exceeded expectations.

Please <u>do not</u> nominate programs or groups for any of the award categories. The hope is to recognize people for their individual efforts. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this request.

The categories of awards will be honored are:

1. Youth/Young Adult Nomination

Do you know of a youth or recently graduated young adult who has benefited from <u>successful</u> secondary transition services?

Nominate a youth or young adult to receive this award.

2. Community-Based Nomination

Do you know of an individual (an employee, a manager, or a community business owner) who has superior experience or skill in the provision of secondary transition services? Does this person <u>exceed expectations</u> in offering the students and/or young adults with disabilities of Arizona an opportunity to connect with community-based experiences?

Nominate an individual, an employee, a manager, or a community business owner to receive this award.

3. School-Based Nomination

Do you know a PEA staff person who is an example to others in the provision of <u>superior</u> secondary transition services?

Nominate a certified, classified, or support staff member, a related service provider, or an administrator to receive this award.

4. Secure Care Nomination

Do you know of a secure care staff who is an example to others in the provision of <u>superior</u> secondary transition services?

Nominate a secure care certified, classified, or support staff member, a related service provider, or an administrator to receive this award.

In order to ensure your nomination is included in the selection process, nomination forms must be submitted on or before **Friday**, **July 12**, **2019**.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Ana Núñez at (602) 542-4195 or via e-mail at ESSTransition@azed.gov.