



Ministry of
Education & Youth



THE PRIME MINISTER'S
NATIONAL YOUTH AWARDS
FOR EXCELLENCE

Nomination Form 2022

Open: August 22, 2022 –
Deadline: September 23,
2022 @11:59 p.m.



BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Prime Minister's National Youth Awards for Excellence is open to all Jamaican nationals between 15-29 years old, who are living in Jamaica and the Diaspora, and who have attained excellence and world-class achievement in the selected category and have contributed to national development.

ELIGIBILITY

To be considered eligible, a nominee must:

- a. **Be a Jamaican national or a naturalized citizen** (at least 3 years)
- b. **Must be between the ages of 15-29 year old** (must be on or before the deadline of the application)
- c. **Be of upstanding character**
- d. **Must meet the award criteria**

***The Committee reserves the right to conduct due diligence on all applicants. Background checks and/or verification for submitted documents may be done at the discretion of the committee.**

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS SUBMISSION OF NOMINATION FORMS

- a. Nominators are required to download and complete the nomination form. Completed nominations must be emailed to yapdjamaica@moey.gov.jm.
- b. Nomination forms must be accompanied by copies of the following:
 - I. Certified copies of Birth certificate and academic certificates including proof of achievements and awards.
 - II. Identification Card (Drivers licences, passport, school ID, National ID).
 - III. Two (2) written references (one professional or academic and one character reference).
- c. Profile of achievements (Description of major achievement, contribution, results and impact for which nominations is being made)
- d. "Shortlisted applicants (nominees) will be asked to attend an interview. Interviews for overseas-based nominees will be done via video conference"
- e. The Prime Minister's National Youth Awards for Excellence Selection Committee reserves the right to place nominees in the relevant category based on the body of work presented.

SUBMISSION OF NOMINATION FORMS

Nomination forms **MUST BE** submitted by Friday, September 23, 2022 | 11:59 p.m. (midnight) to: -
A. yapdjamaica@moey.gov.jm.

B. The PMNYAE Selection Committee
The Ministry of Education and Youth
Youth and Adolescents Policy Division
2-4 National Heroes Circle, Kingston 4.
Tel: 876-922-1400 (ext: 6126)

C. Youth Innovation Centres (YIC) and Youth Access Points across the island:

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| Manchester | 876 367-3405 |
| Clarendon | 876 394-7272 |
| Westmoreland | 876 435-0112 |
| Hanover | 876 471-2834 |
| St. Thomas | 876 734-2490 |
| St. James | 876 394-7278 / 876 332-3625 |
| St. Mary | 876 856-8962 |
| St. Catherine | 876 435-0839 |
| Trelawny | 876 435-0155 |
| St. Ann | 876 435-1213 |
| Portland | 876 367-3424 |

For further information, please visit: www.youthjamaica.com
Or call **(876) 922-1400 (Ext. 6126/5900)**
Or email: yapdjamaica@moey.gov.jm.



AWARD CRITERIA

The Prime Minister of Jamaica, the Most Honourable Andrew Michael Holness, O.N., M.P., is inviting nominations for the Prime Minister's National Youth Awards for Excellence in the following categories:

1. AGRICULTURE & AGRO-PROCESSING

The nominee must distinguish him/herself in the field of Agriculture and Agro-Processing. S/he must:

- Own AND/OR operate an agro-business endeavour which incorporates the use of new technology in the advancement of Agriculture & Agro – Processing AND/OR
- Have advanced scientific research AND/OR development in agriculture AND/OR
- Have incorporated innovation in the development of a new product

2. ENTREPRENEURSHIP / SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The nominee must distinguish him/herself in the field of Entrepreneurship. S/he must:

- Operate a profitable, innovative, registered business venture
- Generate levels of direct and indirect employment AND/OR
- Operate a business that has contributed significant social and economic value at community AND/OR national level.

In the Field of Social Entrepreneurship, nominee must:

- Operate a social enterprise that has contributed significant social and economic value at community and/or national level.
- Be affecting change, developing and implementing solutions at the community level
- Be serving a key population as outlined by the National Youth Policy

3. JOURNALISM / E-JOURNALISM

The nominee should have produced a high standard of journalism. S/he must:

- Have consistently produced high-quality content and in-depth coverage of national, regional AND/OR international issues
- Have produced a body of work that has had a national impact, and/or led to the wellbeing of people involved.
- Have received a regional or international award in recognition of his/her journalistic endeavours

5. ARTS AND CULTURE

The nominee must distinguish him/herself in the field of Arts and Culture. S/he must:

- Have gained local AND/OR international recognition evidenced by competition results, awards, reviews or placement.
- Have featured prominently in a minimum of two critically acclaimed exhibitions or productions
- Have used their talent, skill and platform, in a non-commercial manner, to foster the development of their subject area.

4. NEW MEDIA – SOCIAL MEDIA / YOUTUBER/ BLOGGERS/ VLOGGERS

The nominee must distinguish him/herself in the field of New Media. S/he must:

- Have consistently produced high-quality, innovative, creative and relevant content of national, regional or international issues.
- Have consistently produced work that has a real and tangible impact on the target audience.
- Have produced a body of work that has had a national impact, and/or led to the wellbeing of people involved.
- Have received a regional or international award in recognition of his/her new media endeavours.
- Have a strong Social Media Presence example: Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, TikTok

6. MUSIC

The nominee must distinguish him/herself in the field of Music. S/he must:

- Have displayed Excellence in the Promotion of Jamaican Culture through music
- Be considered an outstanding performer or creator of musical works evidence by local AND/OR international awards, competition results, reviews or chart standings
- Have a reputable catalogue free of violent and discriminatory material (at time of award consideration)

7. NATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The nominee must distinguish him/herself in the field of Leadership. S/he must:

- Demonstrated an active leadership history at the national or international level
- Demonstrated an active leadership history in relation to a priority group of the National Youth Policy
- Served at the specified level for a minimum of 3 years and made significant and demonstrable impact over the period

8. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The nominee must distinguish him/herself in the field of Environmental protection AND/OR Climate Change and Adaptation. S/he must:

- Have proven him/herself to be an influential and effective environmental steward/leader.
- Have gained international/ AND/OR national recognition as an environmental advocate.

****For organisations, a minimum of 80% of the membership should be between 15 and 29 years old.***



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9. SPORTS

The nominee must distinguish him/herself in the field of Sport. S/he must:

- Have performed meritoriously at the Junior and/or senior level in international competition and have achieved a world-leading performance AND/OR
- Have attained a consistent world ranking (1-10) in his/her sport AND/OR
- Have achieved a world-leading performance. Performance and ranking must be current: active participation within the past 2 years

10. NATION BUILDING

The nominee must have demonstrated outstanding and consistent voluntary service relevant to the development of youth and their community. S/he must:

- Have positively impacted youth at the community level
- Have outstanding and consistent voluntary service over at least 5 years.
- Have given service which is not related to mandatory obligations for work or school.

11. ACADEMICS

The nominee must display outstanding achievement in the field of Academic Study. S/he must:

- Must have achieved a top three regional ranking at CAPE and CSEC levels AND/OR
- Must have completed a Bachelors Degree and attained a First Class Honours and maintained an A+ academic average throughout the course of study.
- Post-graduate nominees must have completed a thesis with distinction and/or published in an internationally recognised journal

****Application must be for the last level of education completed***

12. INNOVATION IN SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

The nominee must distinguish him/herself in the field of Innovation in Science and Technology. S/he must:

- Proven to be innovative in providing a scientific or technological solution to a problem.
- Gained national/international recognition in the field and/ or participated in a minimum of two critically acclaimed exhibitions.
- Advanced research in science and/or technology.

13. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

The Individual or organization must:

- Have been involved in youth work for over a period of five years.
- Have significantly impacted youth from one of the priority groups of the National Youth Policy.
- Be able to demonstrate that their work has been acknowledged as a best practice.

****For Youth Serving Organizations and/or Youth Development Practitioners.***

14. PRIME MINISTER'S SPECIAL AWARD FOR ACHIEVEMENT

The recipient of the award may be an individual or an organization.

Individual or organization must:

- Have demonstrated locally or internationally significant contribution/s to their society.
- Not be a recipient of a Prime Minister's National Youth Award for Excellence

****The recipient will be selected exclusively by the Honorable Prime Minister***

PRIME MINISTER'S NATIONAL YOUTH AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE 2022 NOMINATION FORM

This section is to be completed by the nominator. Please write clearly or type and tick where appropriate.

1. INFORMATION ON THE NOMINEE

Title Mr./ Ms./ Mrs. Sex: Male / Female Date of Birth DAY MONTH YEAR
First Name Middle Name Surname
Home Address
Contact TEL: EMAIL:
Place of Employment/ School
Employer/School Contact
1(b) Nominee's Next of Kin
Name Relation: Tel:
Address Email:

2. AWARD CATEGORY (Select One Category Only)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture & Agro-Processing | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports | <input type="checkbox"/> National Leadership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts & Culture | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Protection |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Academics | <input type="checkbox"/> Journalism/E-Journalism | <input type="checkbox"/> Nation Building (volunteerism) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Entrepreneurship / Social Entrepreneurship | <input type="checkbox"/> Innovation in Science & Technology | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Media (Social Media/ Youtuber, Bloggers, Vloggers) | | |

3. INFORMATION ON THE NOMINATOR

Title Mr./ Ms./ Mrs. Sex: Male / Female
First Name Middle Name Surname
Home Address
Contact TEL: EMAIL:
Signature:
3(b) Next of Kin of Nominator
Name Relation: Tel:
Address Email:

4. REFEREES (One Professional and One Character Reference each)

A. Professional Reference
Name
Address
Contact TEL: EMAIL:
B. Character Reference
Name
Address
Contact TEL: EMAIL:

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Date of Receipt of Nomination Form Time
Name of Certifying Officer Title
Signature

DETAILS ON NOMINEE

Add an additional sheet of paper if more space is needed

A. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**TERTIARY**

| Institution | Area of Study | Level; BSc, PhD etc | Grade Class | Year |
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SECONDARY

| School | Level: CSEC, CAPE | Subject(s) | Grade/Passes |
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B. DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS FOR WHICH NOMINATION IS BEING MADE**C. LIST OF OTHER AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS****D. DESCRIPTION OF CONTRIBUTION/RESULTS/IMPACT TO THE COMMUNITY & NATION BUILDING****E. DESCRIPTION OF YOUTH CLUB/ ORGANIZATION INVOLVEMENT****F. LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS ENCLOSED**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Birth Certificate | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Written References |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exam Certificate/ Transcript | <input type="checkbox"/> Proof of Work Done (5 page portfolio) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Identification (National ID/ Passport/ Driver's Licence/ School ID) | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Supporting Documents (Letter of Endorsement, Publication, Certificate, Awards, Photograph) | |

PRIME MINISTER'S NATIONAL YOUTH AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE: Nomination Form Receipt 2022

Submitted by Date of Submission Time

Name of Certifying Officer Title

Signature of Certifying Officer