



2012 WESTMORELAND COUNTY
WOMEN'S COACH AWARD
Sponsored by the YWCA of Westmoreland County
NOMINATION FORM



Directions and Criteria: Nominees must exemplify the highest standards of sportsmanship and ethical conduct, and have made a significant contribution to the sport. They must be female coaches who are not coaching a national, professional, major league or NCAA Division I or II team. It is not the intention of the Awards Committee to negate the importance of coaches at the elite level. Rather, the purpose of this award is to recognize those women who work at the grassroots level. These are the less visible "unsung heroines" who work to provide a sound foundation for girls and women in sports to achieve higher goals of excellence. **ALL CANDIDATES WILL BE JUDGED ON THEIR OVERALL COACHING CAREER, NOT JUST ONE PARTICULAR SEASON.** Please enclose a current photo suitable for display.

PLEASE NOTE: Only the first nomination received per coach will be considered.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: February 27, 2012
WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED: BY March 12, 2012
Late submissions WILL NOT be considered.

Coach's Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____
School: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____
Sport(s) currently coaching: _____

Please attach your recommendation for this coach (in 200 words or less). Please include such information as coaching career, records, awards, honors; efforts to increase sports opportunities - especially for girls and women; involvement in coaching associations and other related professional organizations; contribution to sports and community work; emphasize overall personal achievements vs. team achievements in a particular year.

Nominated by: _____ Phone: _____
Title: _____ Relationship to Coach: _____
Address: _____
Signature of Person Submitting Nomination: _____ Date: _____

Send completed application to:

Westmoreland Sportswomen of the Year Awards Program
YWCA of Westmoreland County, 424 N. Main Street, Greensburg PA, 15601
Phone: 724 834-9390 / E-Mail: Info@ywcawestmoreland.org
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COACH OF THE YEAR
NOMINATION GUIDELINES

WHO IS ADMINISTERING THE SPORTSWOMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD?

The YWCA of Westmoreland County is administering the Sportswomen of the Year Award program, in conjunction with the Women's Sport's Foundation who designed and developed this program to promote and enhance sports and fitness opportunities for all girls and women.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE SPORTS WOMEN OF THE YEAR COMMITTEE:

The YWCA Sportswomen of the Year Award Committee recognizes female athletes based on their athletic achievements. Nominees must exemplify the highest standards of sportsmanship and ethical conduct, and have made a significant contribution to the sport. Among considerations for this award will be athletic accomplishments, promotion of their sport, and providing opportunities for women to increase their abilities in the sport. Demonstrated leadership qualities and community service activities will also be considered. Any woman recommended must be at least 18 years of age or a high school graduate.

DIRECTIONS FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM:

- < Furnish ALL information requested. Incomplete applications will NOT be considered.
- < Please attach your recommendation for this coach (250 words or less). Please include info such as: records, awards, honors, efforts, etc.
- < Enclose Letter of Recommendation from nominator (if applicable)
- < Include up to THREE (3) pages of additional relevant information (i.e., biographical, newspaper clippings, season schedule, records). Do not send more than the suggested additional documentation. **It will NOT be considered.**
- < **Enclose a current photograph suitable for display.**
- < **Please be sure to only include athletic participation/accomplishments for Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2011.**

PLEASE NOTE: ONLY THE FIRST NOMINATION PER COACH RECEIVED WILL BE CONSIDERED.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 27, 2012
WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY: MARCH 12, 2012
LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

WHAT ARE THE JUDGING CRITERIA?

- < Coaching success and team accomplishments
- < Extra-curricular activities
- < Community service
- < Scholarship
- < Must be a resident of or coach a school in Westmoreland County
- < Nominees are judged **FOREMOST** on athletic accomplishment. Extra-curricular activities, community service and scholarship will also be considered.
- < **AN INDIVIDUAL CAN ONLY WIN ONCE PER CATEGORY (I.E. SPORTS GIRLS, SPORTS TEEN, ETC.)**

WHO WILL JUDGE THE APPLICATIONS?

The Westmoreland Sportswomen of the Year Awards Selection Committee consists of a cross-section of community members representing the education, business, civic and media sectors.

WHO CAN I CONTACT IF I HAVE A QUESTION?

The YWCA of Westmoreland County (Phone: 724 834-9390 / Email: Info@ywcawestmoreland.org)

**THE YWCA SPORTSWOMEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO
LIMIT THE NUMBER OF AWARDS PRESENTED, IN THE EVENT INSUFFICIENT NOMINATIONS ARE RECEIVED.**

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