



2023 FRIENDS of Autism
Team Award
Together - Everyone - Achieves - More
Call for Nominations

Do you know a team in which all members demonstrate a remarkable dedication to individuals on the autism spectrum?

Nominate them for the ASD Network Friends of Autism Team Award. Team members can include (but aren't limited to) special education teachers, para-educators, regular education teachers, SLP's, OT's, PT's, psychologists, parents and administrators. The team should include representatives from different disciplines/roles within the school.

All nominations must be submitted online via the google link provided and must include details of how team members exhibit the following qualities.

- **Commitment:** Has the education of families and children and youth with ASD as a primary focus and provides opportunities that enable students with ASD to reach their potential.
- **Vision:** Sees potential in all individuals, readily adapts to change and accepts all individuals with ASD and their strengths and needs.
- **Innovation:** Is aware of empirically supported practices in the field of Autism Spectrum Disorders and shows a willingness to adapt and use resources creatively.
- **Inspiration:** Displays positive interactions with students and parents and actively influences peers with their energy and enthusiasm.
- **Teamwork:** Provide examples of the nominee's teamwork, collaboration or networking practices.

Note: Please elaborate on each or as many of these bulleted items as possible. The information you include allows reviewers to better understand the team member's overall contributions, work, and impact. A robust and descriptive nomination will likely result in a higher overall score than a nomination that is vague or lacking in examples/details.

**Nominations should come from those who are not direct service providers on a team.

Please include contact information for person(s) submitting the nomination. Nominations can be submitted [HERE](#). **Nomination Deadline: February 28, 2023**

If schedules allow, this award will be presented at the ASD Conference Thursday evening dinner, March 30th 2023.

If you have questions or need to send additional documents please contact Megan Misegadis at mmisegadis2@unl.edu.

