

2026 WOMEN OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Young Women of Tomorrow
(High School and College Students)

OBJECTIVE: To recognize and honor young women from the Story County Region who have demonstrated qualities of outstanding leadership and excellence in their schools and personal endeavors in accordance with the mission of YWCA Ames at ISU.

Our Mission: YWCA Ames at ISU is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women, and promoting peace, justice, freedom, and dignity for all.

AWARD CRITERIA

The candidate:

- Fosters the empowerment of women and/or assists in eliminating racism.
- Exhibits and demonstrates qualities of leadership, teamwork, integrity, dedication, and motivation on the school campus and/or within the community.
- Demonstrates sustained excellence, accomplishment, and creativity. These achievements must be clearly recognizable.
- Demonstrates a commitment to improving the quality of life in her school and/or through volunteer activities.

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF NOMINATION FORMS:

- Please respond to each question in 500 words or less.
- Please provide detailed information and where applicable, provide specific examples.
- Provide one letter of reference that speaks specifically to the criteria/guidelines referenced above. Additional letters of reference will be randomly disregarded.
- Please do not attach photos or any additional documentation other than the letter of reference to the nomination form.

DEADLINE: November 30th, 2025

Applications and supporting documents to be submitted via email to
ywca@iastate.edu

Awards will be presented at the Women of Achievement Ceremony on
Thursday, March 26th, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at Reiman Gardens.

For additional information visit www.ywcaames.org
or email ywca@iastate.edu

Deadline for Nominations: November 30th, 2025 2026 WOMEN OF ACHIEVEMENT

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Please print or type (typed preferred)

Date: _____

Name of Nominee _____

School Affiliation _____

Address/Phone _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Answer all of the questions. **Please use additional pages as needed.**

1. How has the candidate aligned with YWCA Ames at ISU's mission to eliminate racism and/or empower women?
2. How has the candidate exhibited and demonstrated qualities of leadership, teamwork, integrity, dedication, and motivation within her **profession** and/or **community**?
3. How has the candidate demonstrated sustained excellence, accomplishment, and creativity in the sphere of her chosen profession and/or volunteer service? Please give specific examples.

**YWCA IS ON
A MISSION**

eliminating racism
empowering women
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Your Name (nominator) _____

Nominee Signature _____

School Affiliation _____

School Address _____

School Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Phone _____

* All recipients are expected to give a 2-3 minute acceptance speech at the awards ceremony on March 26th, 2026, at Reiman Gardens.

THANK YOU.

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