



# North Dakota PTA “Friend of Child” Award

## *History, Criteria & Nomination Form*

Established in August 1992, The “Friend of Child” Award was created as a way to honor those who have given exemplary service to children and youth. This award can be given once a year in those years when an appropriate recipient is identified.

This award was established as a way to honor a worthy person in the school, community, or state that exhibits the following criteria:

- Gives outstanding service to children.
- Demonstrates continued interest in the well-being of children and youth.
- Serves as an advocate for children in the areas of education, health, safety or legislation.
- Is an individual who cares about children and has made his or her caring count by their devoted service to youth.

### **Past Friend of Child Award Recipients**

1993	Dr. Lowell Latimer	2007	Tracey Lawson	2020	Cheryl Simmons
1994	Dr. Wayne Sanstead	2008	Linda Schroeder	2021	Dani Parkos Fluge
1995	Dr. Vern Bennett	2009	Jr. Achievement—Minot	2022	Lyn Telford
1996	Linda McGuire	2010	Nancy Jordheim	2023	
1997	Rachael Disrud	2011	Trollwood Performing Arts School Founders, Vicki Chepulis & John Marks		
1998	Glenn Melvey	2012	Helane Robson		
1999	ND Elementary and Secondary Principals Association	2013	Penny & Pals - Penny Andrist & Gail Benson		
2000	Phyllis Seir	2014	Jeannie Baskerville		
2001	Laura Carney	2015	Senator John Hoeven		
2003	Mike Fogarty	2016	Marcia Hellevang		
2004	Lowell Wolff	2017	Mary Schultz		
2005	Curt Medalen	2018	Rory Biel		
2006	Mavis Bennett	2019	Laura Sokolofsky		

**To make a nomination, please complete the following form. Nominations shall be accepted from current NDPTA local unit officers and NDPTA Board of Directors and reviewed by the NDPTA Board of Directors.**

**North Dakota PTA**  
***“Friend of Child”* Award**  
**2024 Nomination Form**

**DEADLINE: September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**

Please complete the nomination form and return via email to [ndpta@gmail.com](mailto:ndpta@gmail.com)

**Nominee**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominator**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Reason for Nomination**

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