



# YOUTH MENTOR OF THE YEAR

## OVERVIEW

Each year, the Firefighter's Association of the State of New York (FASNY) Youth in the Fire Service Committee honors an outstanding youth group leader. This person embodies all the values that make this critical position influential and effective.

A leader is a person who has vision and the skills to make it happen – someone who leads by example. This leader motivates members of the youth group and keeps a positive attitude that inspires them to be their best. Finally, this leader is a good listener, lending attention to the needs and wants of the youth group.

## CRITERIA

### Eligible nominees must:

- Work with a group that has a minimum of one (1) year as an active program.
- Lead an organization that uses fire service-related projects to demonstrate dedication to their departments and communities as well as a commitment to training.
- Support a program that exhibits the qualities of honor, teamwork and allegiance to the volunteer fire service.
- Be postmarked or electronically submitted by **March 15, 2026**.

## NOMINATIONS

- Any department officer, member or parent can nominate an individual for the award.
- Nominations must be postmarked or electronically submitted by **March 15, 2026**.
- Letters of support and any other submitted materials accompanying the nomination will become the property of FASNY.

## INSTRUCTIONS

### The following material must be submitted all together with the completed application for consideration:

1. Two letters of recommendation from sources either within or outside of the volunteer fire service.
2. A complete description of the nominated individual's commitment to the volunteer fire service.
3. The signature of approval from the department Chief or President.

**Note:** Once selected, the recipient of this award MUST submit a digital photo to be used in FASNY's promotional materials, including – but not limited to – *The Volunteer Firefighter* magazine, press releases, monthly electronic communications and web/social media sites. Visit [www.fasny.com/photos](http://www.fasny.com/photos) for photo submission guidelines. social media sites. Visit [www.fasny.com/photos](http://www.fasny.com/photos) for photo submission guidelines.

### Mail Completed Awards To:

Awards c/o FASNY  
107 Washington Avenue  
Albany, NY 12210-2269

### For Questions Email:

[awards@fasny.com](mailto:awards@fasny.com)

**NOTE:** FASNY award winners may be publicly promoted in press releases and print publications as well as on television, radio or the web. The Association reserves the right to use the person's image for publicity, including – but not limited to – print, broadcast and web/social media. The recipient may be expected to be available for photo opportunities, television appearances and other promotional events. In the event the recipient does not agree to these terms, the name may be withdrawn.

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## YOUTH MENTOR NOMINATION

Nominated Youth Mentor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliated Fire Department, EMS Agency or Association: \_\_\_\_\_

Fire Department, EMS Agency or Association Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Years of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Attachments:

- Two letters of recommendation
- Optional: List or description of program accomplishments

### Applicant Certification:

My signature certifies that all information and attachments are true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Nominator: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Department Chief or President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_