

February 13, 2018

Dear Parents,

The Rising Star Award is presented each year by the Worcester County Board of Education to students in each county middle school. This award recognizes students from Stephen Decatur Middle School who have participated in **voluntary** service activities for their school and for local community organizations.

Students who receive this award have been involved in service **beyond the minimum middle school requirements for service learning.**

Students who are selected for this award will be honored and presented with a certificate for their achievements at the Stephen Decatur Middle School's Honor's Ceremony in June.

By recognizing these students, we hope to inspire their commitment to serve others throughout their lives and inspire others to get involved in service to their school and community.

If your child is interested in being considered for this award, please have him/her complete the form attached to this letter and return it to his/her Social Studies teacher, by Friday, March 9, 2018.

If you have any questions, please contact one of us at the school.

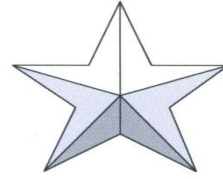
Sincerely,

Leah Olsen/ Sue Walls
Service Learning Fellows

Worcester County RISING STAR NOMINATION FORM



Name _____



School _____ Grade/Team _____

Teacher's Name _____

Must have one staff member's name as point of contact or the form will be returned.

Community Based Service Activities:

Agency	Describe Activity	Approx. Service Hours

In-school Service Activities:

Teacher/Staff	Describe Activity	Approx. Service Hours

I have reviewed this form completed by my child and agree that the information is correct and accurate.

Parent Signature _____

1. Explain why you participate in your volunteer activities outside of school?

2. What have you learned from your service activities outside of school?

3. How have your service activities outside of school affected other people in the community?

4. What service activities do you expect to participate in, in the future?
