



Debra Husted Memorial Dreams Can Come True Award 2020

**A photo (electronic) of
the nominee must also
be included!**

Debra Husted exemplified the best in individuals working in the field of transition. She willingly gave of her time and expertise on behalf of individuals with disabilities of all ages, but especially to those in transition. In memory of Deb, Florida Division on Career Development and Transition recognizes individuals who exemplify the values in Deb's life and who show involvement beyond the circle of their lives.

Nominations are being accepted in the following categories:

<p>Outstanding Educator in Transition</p>	<p>An outstanding educator who provides exemplary transition services to his or her students with disabilities. This person must exemplify the values of tenacity, caring, believe in the ability of individuals with disabilities and show involvement beyond the usual circle of a person's life. Amount of award: \$500.00 and a complimentary awards luncheon April 16, 2020.</p>
<p>Outstanding High School Student</p>	<p>An outstanding high school senior with disabilities who be graduating or exiting high school and entering into postsecondary education or training, the military or a job and who will benefit from this award. This person must exemplify the values of tenacity, caring belief in their ability to succeed and show involvement beyond the usual circle of a student's life. Amount of award: \$500 and complimentary awards luncheon April 16, 2020.</p>

Deb sent the following message to many of her friends and co-workers shortly before her death. Let it be an inspiration to all of us in her memory!

ARE YOU A REASON, A SEASON, OR A LIFETIME? (Author unknown)

Pay attention to what you read. After you read this, you will know the reason it was sent to you! People come into your life for a reason, a season or a lifetime. When you figure out which one it is, you will know what to do for each person.

When someone is in your life for a REASON...It is usually to meet a need you have expressed. They have come to assist you through a difficulty, to provide you with guidance and support, to aid you physically, emotionally, or spiritually. They may seem like a godsend, and they are! They are there for the reason you need them to be. Then without any wrongdoing on your part, or at an inconvenient time, this person will say or do something to bring the relationship to an end. Sometimes they die, sometimes they walk away, and sometimes they act up and force you to take a stand. What we must realize is that our need has been met, or desire fulfilled, their work is done. The prayer you sent up was answered. And now it is time to move on.

Then people come into your life for a SEASON. Because your turn has come to share, grow, or learn. They bring you an experience of peace, or make you laugh. They may teach you something you have never done. They usually give you an unbelievable amount of joy. Believe it! It is real! But, only for a season.

LIFETIME relationships teach you lifetime lessons: things you must build upon in order to have a solid emotional foundation. Your job is to accept the lesson, love the person, and put what you have learned to use in all other relationships and areas of your life. It is said that love is blind but friendship is clairvoyant.

*Thank you for being a part of my life
Work like you don't need the money
Love like you've never been hurt
And dance like no one is watching*

All nominations are due by: March 16, 2020

Nomination Category (check one)

Outstanding Educator in Transition _____

Outstanding High School Student _____

Name of Nominee: _____

Title/Position: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (work) _____ (home) _____

E-mail address: _____

Brief Rationale for the Nomination: (Additional letters of support may be included)

Activities that make this individual outstanding: _____

Exemplified values: _____

Involvement beyond the usual circle: _____

Is this nomination a surprise to the nominee? Yes _____ No _____

Are there any special circumstances that the nomination committee should be aware of? _____

Nominated by: _____ Title/Position: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (work) _____ (home) _____

E-mail address: _____

Submit completed nomination forms to: All nominations are due by: March 16, 2020

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