**2026 HEART OF FCE AWARD**

**KANSAS GUIDELINES**

**Objective:**

To pay special tribute to the unsung grass roots members who have made a difference in their communities through their FCE work.

**Criteria:**

1. Must be a living, grass roots (Independent or FCE Unit) member nominated by his/her peers.
2. Must be current member of National FCE and Kansas FCE.
3. Recent head **photograph (2” x 2”)** must accompany form.
4. Individual efforts, projects and results or other community contributions by the nominee while working in FCE should be included in the nomination essay, using a maximum of one (1) page.

**Selection Process:**

1. Heart of FCE Award Form is available in the “FCE Tool Kit” (August Mailing). It is also available to print off from the Kansas FCE website: [www.kafce.org](http://www.kafce.org/). This form should be filled out and submitted to the County FCE Council President.
2. Each county may nominate one (1) Heart of FCE member and submit to Area Director by October 1.
3. **At the Area’s Fall Council Meeting, each county has one (1) vote for a candidate to represent their area.** Area Director will submit Area Heart of FCE winner to State President.
4. The Kansas FCE Area Directors will choose the State Heart of FCE winner. After the Kansas State winner has been chosen, the nomination essay will then be condensed to 100 words before it is sent to National FCE.
5. The Kansas State winner will be recognized at the Kansas FCE State Conference.

Local, Counties and Areas, are encouraged to recognize their Heart of FCE winners at their meetings or in another appropriate manner.

*County Winner form due to Kansas FCE Area Director by October 1, 2025*

*Area Winner form due to Kansas State President by December 1, 2025*

**Area Directors**:

**Northeast:** Diane Nielson, 1511 Atchison, Atchison, 66002-2245; C-913-488-5179.

**Northwest:** Edith McClain, 408 1st St, Gaylord, 67638; H-785- 697-2754; C-785-282-5734.

**South Central:** Kathy Preheim, 2008 50th, Peabody, 66866; 620-386-0778.

**Southeast:** Mary Dunn, 2320 Florida Rd, Humboldt, 66748; H-620-473-3521; C-620-433-1316.

**Southwest:** Connie Chavez, 725 Atkin St, Jetmore, 67854-9305; 303-718-3349.

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**Due To Area Director By October 1, 2025 (One Entry Per County)**

*Area Winner form due to Kansas State President by December 1, 2025*

Nominee Name:

Address:

Phone: Email Address:

Independent Member or FCE Unit Member (circle one)

Independent Member: County of Residence \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Area:

FCE Unit: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Area:

***Please attach recent head photograph (2x2) of nominee (original photo requested)***

*“To pay special tribute to the unsung grass roots members who have made*

 *a difference in their communities through their FCE work.”*

Briefly describe, using one (1) attached page, the reason for recommending this person for the HEART OF FCE Award. Please include individual effort, and project(s) and results, or other contributions made by nominee while working in FCE. Mention the ways they have given their time, talents, energy and sharing skills learned in FCE to make a difference not only in FCE, but in other areas as well. Be specific.

Name of person submitting:

Office/Title of Person:

Address:

Phone:

Email Address:

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