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## **Background**

Vivian Harris is a prominent
business woman from New York
City. Vivian has spent her entire
adult life championing support for
special-needs children. She has
served as trustee and chairman of Scouting for the
Handicapped of Greater New York Council,
president of the Children's Oncology Society
(Ronald McDonald House of New York), and a
member of the National Advisory Board on
Technology and the Disabled.

### **Purpose**

The award is designed to recognize individuals or organizations making an outstanding contribution to special education at the local, state, or national level that has added to the quality of life for families through Learning for Life programs.

#### Awards to Individuals

The council may present the Vivian Harris Award to men and women who have rendered an outstanding contribution to special education at the local, state,



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or national level that has added to the quality of life for families through Learning for Life programs. Each council may determine the procedure for granting the award. The nomination form is attached and may be found on the Learning for Life website soon.

#### **Awards to Organizations**

The council may present the Vivian Harris Award to schools, businesses, industries, labor unions, governmental agencies, civic clubs, fraternal groups, and other

community organizations that have demonstrated outstanding contributions to special education at the local, state, or national level that has added to the quality of life for families through Learning for Life programs.

# **Recognition Plaque**

Design a local ceremony and order the award (No. 17435) from the National Distribution Center for presentation.

#### **Selection Procedure**

The Vivian Harris Award selection committee is part of the program function of the local Learning for Life committee. Through proper public relations, focus attention on the recipient and his or her accomplishments.



# Vivian Harris Award Nomination Form

The Vivian Harris Award is the highest recognition for individuals and organizations making an outstanding contribution to special education at the local, state, or national level that has added to the quality of life for families through Learning for Life programs.

Nominations are due		<u></u>
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Nominee's work phone ()	Nominee's e	mail address
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