



Frequently Asked Questions

What are the I Do What I Can Awards?

"I Do What I Can!" is an initiative for children in grades 1- 6 who demonstrate outstanding help, support, and/or encouragement of a younger child. Entries will be made by an adult (parent, grandparent, care provider, teacher, coach, etc.) and be reviewed by a community advisory group. All nominated children will be recognized. A few children whose efforts may be especially inspiring to other children may be featured online or on air.

The award is inspired by the character Ramone from the award winning PBS KIDS program, *Peg + Cat*. Ramone is an upbeat older boy who goes 'above and beyond' to offer a helping hand to his younger friends, Peg & Cat, as well as other characters in the show. Ramone always seems to be there to help solve problems. His cool signature statement is "I Do What I Can!"

What is the Award Initiative Time Frame?

- WQED will be accepting nominations from November 15, 2015 to January 22, 2016.
- Entries can be done online ([Link](#)) or by direct mail to:

WQED

IDWIC Awards

4802 Fifth Ave.

Pittsburgh, PA 15213-2957

Attn: Cathy Cook.

- Each nomination, made by an adult (a parent, grandparent, care provider, teacher, coach, etc.), will include at least one description of what the child has done to be helpful to a younger child. Nominee's parental release ([link](#)) must accompany submission.

Who is Eligible?

Any boy or girl who is in grades 1-6 who often demonstrates outstanding help, support, and/or encouragement of a younger child. This initiative seeks to recognize children who extend themselves to help others by *doing what they can*.

How to I Nominate a Child?

You can nominate a child in one of two ways:



1. Visit www.IDoWhatICan.org to download, complete and submit either the Parent/Legal Guardian **Nomination Form 2016** or the **General Nomination Form 2016**.
2. Forms can be downloaded, completed and mailed directly to:
WQED
IDWIC Awards
4802 Fifth Ave.
Pittsburgh, PA 15213-2957 Attn: Cathy Cook.

Or scanned and emailed to CCook@wqed.org.

 - Each nomination made by an adult (a parent, grandparent, care provider, teacher, coach, etc.), will include at least one description of what the child has done to be helpful to a younger child. Nominee's signed **Parent/Legal Guardian Release Form** must accompany every nomination.

Can I Nominate More than One Child? Yes. Use one **Nomination Form** per child.

If I am not the Child's Parent, Do I Need to Notify the Parent/Guardian? Yes

When you click on the nomination area of the website, complete the **General Nomination Form 2016**. In order for a submission to be eligible, there **must** be a **signed Parent/Guardian Release Form**. That form can also be downloaded. Mail hard copies to:

WQED
IDWIC Awards
4802 Fifth Ave.
Pittsburgh, PA 15213-2957 Attn: Cathy Cook.

Or scan and email completed forms to CCook@wqed.org.

How will children be selected and honored?

Nominations will be reviewed by a community advisory committee. All nominated children will be recognized. A few children whose efforts may be especially inspiring to other children may be featured online, on air, in social media, and/or at their school or at a special community event.

Are there monetary awards or prizes? No

