



January 15, 2025

Dear Student Advisor,

Once again, the Pittsburgh Area Jewish Committee along with our partners the Jewish Community Center of Greater Pittsburgh through its Donor Advised Fund invites you to nominate a Junior or Senior from your high school or organization for this **70th Annual Caplan-Lieber Human Relations Award**. The Award will be presented to one student in Western Pennsylvania who has shown initiative and leadership in combating prejudice and fostering good relations between diverse groups within the school environment and/or community.

In 2025 the Award will be **\$5,000** to the winning student. That student's school or organization also receive \$500.

Our judges strongly consider the following:

- Student initiated programs in the school or community,
- Projects that address divisions in society based on race, color, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, class, religion, disability, sex, ancestry, national origin, bullying or other factors, and
- The engagement of others to combat prejudice and foster good relations between diverse groups within the school and/or community.

Our judges do not consider academic achievements, popularity or sports activities. We will only accept one nomination per school or organization.

We hope your school or organization will nominate a student for this prestigious and valuable award. The rules for the student's 2-3 page essay are attached, as are the rules for the nominee profile questionnaire which is to be filled out by a faculty member, administrator or advisor from your school. Once filled out those forms should be sent to us by email at CaplanLieberAward@jccpgh.org on or before April 30, 2025 for consideration by our panel of judges.

Thank you for your attention to this important opportunity for a deserving student and a school. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

James Lieber Honorary Chair, Caplan-Lieber Award