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## The University City Board of Education is Seeking Nominations For its annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Spirit Award

**University City, MO** – The University City Board of Education is seeking nominations for the School District of University City's annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Spirit Award. The award honors those U. City residents who are working or have worked towards racial unity and justice.

Nominations should include contact information, as well as how the nominee has worked or is working toward racial unity and justice. Nominees must be, or have been, residents of University City. Nominations are reviewed by a committee of school board members with one or two selected each year to receive the annual award. Those nominated can be living or deceased.

Nominations can be submitted through our website: <u>ucityschools.org</u>. They may also be submitted to the nearest University City public school main office. The deadline for all nominations is Friday, December 6, 2019. Nominations received after this date will be held for the following year.

The selected awardee(s) will be recognized during the annual University City Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration on Thursday, January 16, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. The ceremony will be held at University City High school, 7401 Balson Avenue, 63130.





On February 21, 1911, with a City population of only 2,417, The School District of University City was officially established. Classes began in September 1912 with a total school population of 769. Today, you will find outstanding educational programs serving a student population of approximately 2,800 with a preschool, four elementary schools, one middle school and one high school. In May 2019, University City High School held its  $102^{nd}$  formal Commencement ceremony.

