



## 2017 BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARDS

### Nomination Form

**Deadline for submission: April 10, 2017**

Awards will be presented at the Small Business Week Luncheon, May 11, 2017

#### Award Criteria:

1. Companies and individuals can nominate themselves or may be nominated by a third-party.
2. Nominations are scored by the members of the Business Excellence Awards Selection Committee, which is comprised of business leaders and past award recipients from the GACC. Individual scores are kept confidential.
3. With the exception of the Uniquely Gahanna Award, all winning businesses must be a member in good standing of the Gahanna Area Chamber of Commerce.
4. Nominations will be accepted online from February 10 – April 10, 2017.
5. Final Excellence Awards winners will be notified by a member of the GACC staff and/or director and announced publicly through the news channels chosen by the Chamber and additionally recognized at the May 11, 2017 Business Exchange Luncheon.
6. Contact the GACC office with any questions at 614-471-0451.

Nomination submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Categories: (Mark category of nomination)**

\_\_\_\_\_ **BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARDS**

Recognizes outstanding achievements in some or all of the following: Research & Development, Company Growth, Products & Services, Market Development, Sales & Marketing, and Community Service.

Criteria: Must be in business for **at least** 5 years and a GACC member in good-standing.

- 1 – 10 Employees
- 11 – 50 Employees
- 51 – 250 Employees
- 250+ Employees

\_\_\_\_\_ **RISING STAR AWARD**

This award recognizes new “up and coming” small businesses with a unique blend of vision, energy, perseverance and skill. Since its start-up, this business must show a strong start with the potential for growing into a prosperous enterprise in the future.

Criteria: Must be in business for **less than** 5 years and a GACC member in good-standing.

\_\_\_\_\_ **UNIQUELY GAHANNA AWARD**

Each and every day, businesses make valuable contributions to our community. The recipient of this award will distinguish itself from others by enhancing the community through financial, volunteer and active involvement in organizations and programs that assist in the creation of a better quality of life for all Gahanna residents.

The Uniquely Gahanna Award will recognize a Chamber member or non-member company that embraces Gahanna’s culture and exemplifies what it means to live and do business in Gahanna.

Criteria: Must be a business located within the Gahanna-Jefferson School District.

**1. Business Nominee:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Name & Title of Owner(s)/Principal(s)**

Mr./Ms. \_\_\_\_\_

Mr./Ms. \_\_\_\_\_

Mr./Ms. \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City / Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone/Contact Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Web Site** \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Business Information:**

**Year company established** \_\_\_\_\_ **NAIC Code(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of business** (i.e., manufacturing, retail, service) \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of employees:** Full-time \_\_\_\_\_ Part-time \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Business Culture & Values** (please keep your responses to 500 words or less for each question)

**a. Please share your company history.**

**b. How would you describe the culture within your business?**

**c. How do you differentiate yourself from your competitors?**

**d. Where do you see your company in 10 years and how will you get there (Rising Star nominees only)**

**4. Community Service**

**How does your company make a difference in Gahanna through community service?**