

NOMINEES FOR STUDENT ATHLETES' AWARDS SHORTLISTED FOR COURTNEY WALSH AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Six secondary school athletes have been shortlisted to receive Awards under the umbrella of the prestigious Courtney Walsh Award for Excellence. The names were released by members of the selection committee and the winners will be announced at the Jamaica Pegasus Hotel on Thursday, October 13, starting with cocktails at 6:30 p.m. and the ceremony at 7:00 p.m.

This year's nominees are Jhevaugh Matherson of Kingston College; Travis Brown and Kyle Martin, both of Wolmer's Boys' School in the male category. In the female category are Aiko Jones of Wolmer's Girls' School; Susan Douglas of Queen's School and Satanya Wright of St. Elizabeth Technical High School.

Since 2013, the Culture, Health, Arts, Sports and Education Fund (CHASE), administrators of the Courtney Walsh Award for Excellence in sports, has been collaborating with principals in schools at the Secondary level across the island, to nominate female and male students to be recognized at the prestigious annual event. To receive this Award, students must have displayed exceptional qualities both in their academic performance, and also demonstrated team commitment and good tenets of fair play while representing their schools in sports. It is mandatory that the students are Jamaican nationals and the nominations submitted by the principals of secondary institutions, include a report outlining why each student is being selected for the Award.

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The Student Award is an addendum to the 12 year old event which salutes the stalwarts in the

sporting arena, and has to date recognized eight (8) high school students between grade 10 and

13. The Awards, sponsored by the Supreme Ventures Foundation, include a \$250,000 cash

Award toward the development of a specific school project, one year's internet service and a

computer tablet.

The past awardees are Mark Parchment of Munroe College and Janell Dalberry of St. Jago High

School in 2013; Natalliah Whyte of St. Jago High School; and Jaheel Hyde of Wolmer's Boys

School in 2014 and Junelle Bromfield - St. Elizabeth Technical High School and Javauni Garwood

of Wolmer's Boys' School in 2015.

Courtney Walsh Award in its 12th Year

The Courtney Walsh Award, which is in its 12th year was conceptualized by Former Prime

Minister the Most Hon. P.J. Patterson, an avid cricket follower, who was prompted to establish

the Award to celebrate excellence in sports, having observed the exemplary qualities

demonstrated by Ambassador Courtney Walsh throughout his illustrious international career.

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