



# Become a Member of the Achievement Centers for Children Associate Board!

## *Engaging the next generation of leaders and supporters of the Achievement Centers for Children*

The Achievement Centers for Children Associate Board is a dynamic group of young professionals who are committed to supporting the Achievement Centers through philanthropic and volunteer activities. Our Associate Board members lend their time, expertise and financial support to help children with disabilities and their families realize their dreams and discover their potential, while expanding their personal and professional networks. Our primary focus is to support agency programs and services through fundraising and financial support, sponsorship of A Most Excellent Race, volunteering for agency programs and promoting awareness of ACC services in the community.

### **A Most Excellent Race**



Our largest fundraising event is 'A Most Excellent Race', an annual 5K/10K walk and run benefiting the Achievement Centers' Camp Cheerful in Strongsville, which has raised over \$1.5 million to support Camp Cheerful since its inception in 1990. Hundreds of corporations, community groups and individuals participate in this annual special event. Associate board opportunities to support the race include: sponsorship solicitation, peer-to-peer fundraising, logistics planning, volunteer organization and race promotion / marketing. We also organize additional social and/or fundraising events and service projects that benefit Camp Cheerful and the Achievement Centers.

### **Activities – Volunteer, Education, ACC Support and Social/Networking**



Our group is continually looking for opportunities to support the Achievement Centers programs, raise funds and awareness. We support volunteer activities, host fundraising events, participate in education programs involving awareness of disability issues and agency services (speakers, parent stories, etc.) and support agency programs. Our Associate Board members play an active role planning activities and events to support the Achievement Centers.

### **What to Expect**

Board meetings feature Race planning, educational programming about current disability issues, civic involvement / non-profit leadership, agency programs and planning for other volunteer opportunities and/or activities to support ACC services. Through participation on the Associate Board, we expect our board members to; attend our meetings, serve on a committee, support A Most Excellent Race, participate in our volunteer activities, be educated on agency programs and support the agency financially, including annual dues.

If you would like more information on becoming a member of the Associate Board, please contact Emily Lord, Associate Board President, ([elord@amhigley.com](mailto:elord@amhigley.com)) or Kathy Lipssik, Manager of Special Events ([kathy.lipsik@achievementctrs.org](mailto:kathy.lipsik@achievementctrs.org)) or call 216-292-9700.

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## Associate Board Application Form

**Contact Information:**

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Email:</b>
<b>Mobile:</b>	<b>Work Phone:</b>
<b>Company Name / Title:</b>	
<b>Work Address:</b>	<b>Home Address:</b>

***Areas of Interest (please circle):***

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|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|
| <b>Race Planning:</b> | Marketing              | Volunteering | Sponsorship   | Logistics   |
|                       | Peer to Peer           |              |               |             |
|                       | Fundraising            |              |               |             |
| <b>Activities:</b>    | Volunteering           | Education    | Social Events | Fundraising |
| <b>Recruitment:</b>   | Membership Development |              |               |             |

Please return the form to via email to either Emily Lord, Associate Board President ([elord@amhighley.com](mailto:elord@amhighley.com)), or Kathy Lipsik ([kathy.lipsik@achievementctrs.org](mailto:kathy.lipsik@achievementctrs.org)), or mail to Kathy Lipsik, Achievement Centers for Children, 4255 Northfield Road, Highland Hills, OH 44128.



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