

7th Grade to 9th Grade

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Submitted by: N'Dea Moore-Petinak

What do we think of when we describe the typical American mother? A petite woman with a beehive and a pioneer dress? Or perhaps a full time maid and chauffeur? You may think your mother's meatloaf is the best ever invented. Or she's always on time for your soccer practice. But what if your mother was more than just mother? What if your mother was responsible for 300 people a day, and still found time to see you drop the baton @ the track meet? That's my mom. She's your mother away from home. And what could this occupation be that give so much? She's a teacher. She's the mom giving up any chance of a full night's sleep to grade your child's papers, and help me with my homework. My mom also teaches me some of the most valuable lessons I could have learned. When I was in the second grade, I overheard a racist comment from one of my classmates. Because my mom had always told me to stand up for what I believe in, I was able to calmly tell my classmate how rude that statement was. My classmate surprised, said he had never thought about it like that. My mom deserves the title "Fig Garden Mother of the Year", because hundreds of people, including myself, wouldn't be the caring people they are today without her.

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Submitted by: Claire Christensen

My mom-well, she is not one of those people that you can describe with just one word. She is not only incredibly kind, considerate, funny, crazy, and fun to be around, but she is so much more than that. My mom always puts others before herself. As a mother of five (between ages fourteen and one) she has a lot on her plate, but she never forgets her goal in life, to, "Spread joy." My mother is always teaching us how to be kind to others, and to live our lives to the fullest. My mom teaches us to include others and to treat them as we would want to be treated. For example, whenever my brothers have a play-date, it ends up starting at two friends coming over, and growing to as many as eight people coming over (she never wants not include anyone). I come home to a house with Nerf bullets everywhere and a bunch of boys running through the house. I chuckle and think to myself, "Mom".

My mother also encourages us to follow our dreams. If my brother goes to her and says, "I want to go to a basketball summer camp." She gets on the phone, gets the information, and signs him up for it. Some moms just say, "Well, maybe you should try something else instead of playing basketball." Not my mom. She wants to expose us to as many different activities as we could ever want. When my mom does things like that, it makes us feel special because we know that she wants us to reach our goals in life. I love my mom so much and she is the best mother that anyone could ever ask for. In my heart, she is the true, "Mother of the Year".

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Submitted by: Alexis Blair

I'm writing this letter to tell you why I think my mom should be a finalist in the "Mother Of the year" contest. I know a whole bunch of people are writing a letter just like mine saying how there mom's deserve this more, but I truly from the bottom of my heart I think my mom should win.

What makes my mom so extraordinary is she's done a lot for me and my sisters. She took us in when no one else wanted us or cared and has raised us since infants, toddlers. My mom also has taken a lot of drug babies and fostered them, the best is my mom does it out of love for kids that aren't even hers and not for the money like other foster parents do. My mom had to recently stop being a foster parent due to my dad who is sick in the hospital with cancer and on top of that he's a paraplegic.

I think out of everything my moms done what make her truly the greatest is able to keep herself well put together through all of this well she just watches her husband of over 40 years the man she love lie in a hospital bed. So this is just a very small portion of why I think my mom should win. She really deserves this more than any mom. My mom doesn't hate to do any of the things she does. She could have walked out through all the tough times but she hasn't. If you ever met her you know exactly what I'm talking about. I'm not lying when I say there's not a better mom out there. This is why you should choose my mom for "Mother of the Year."