

# David Aasen Award Guidelines

- 1) The award is given each summer to the Tennis and Life Camps staff member who most clearly demonstrates the virtues we associate with David Aasen.
- 2) Those virtues include **boundless enthusiasm** and **energy**, a wonderful **sense of humor**, the highest standards of **sportsmanship**, a **love for teaching and learning**, the ability to **make people feel good** about themselves, a **genuine concern for others**, **patience**, and an **optimistic outlook on life**.
- 3) David expressed his optimism every day. Even when the grass was brown and the ground was snow covered, even when the sky was gray and gloomy, David greeted his students with the words “the grass is green, the sky is blue; it’s a great day to be alive!”
- 4) Every staff member may nominate one or two staff members for this award. Write at least a paragraph telling why your candidate(s) deserve(s) the award. Submit your nomination(s) by email to Liz at [lizeretz@gmail.com](mailto:lizeretz@gmail.com) by Monday, July 31st at 11:59 PM. The person(s) you nominate will receive a copy of your letter. If you do not write your name on the letter, it will remain anonymous.
- 5) The winner is determined by counting the letters. Whoever has the most nominations is the winner. A previous award recipient is not eligible to win it again.
- 6) We present the award on the final day of the summer.

## DAVID AASEN AWARD WINNERS

1995- Scott Jacobson	2009- Ryan Moore & Colin McGuire
1996- Erik Samuelson	2010- David Lachman
1997- Dan McLaughlin	2011- Emily Walz
1998- Neal Hagberg & Chris Anderson	2012- Jon Carlson
1999- Kendall Larson	2013- Chad Anderson
2000- Renee Perry	2014- Pat Clark
2001- Jessica Reinhart	2015- Liz Retzlaff
2002- Todd Roudabush	2016- Nick Hoelmer
2003- Tommy Valentini	2017- Mikinzee Salo
2004- Nikolai Johansen	2018- Mason Bultje
2005- Ben Hageseth	2019- Katie Aney
2006- Pete Schwingler	2021- Calleigh Carlson & Christian Larson
2007- Jennifer Edlund	2022- Aaron Brock
2008- Bob Skenzich	2023- Josie Carlson