



# Partners In Education

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**FAMILIES IN GOOD COMPANY AWARD: A CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

Green Bay, Wis.- (Aug. 9, 2011) – Nominations are now being accepted from model employers for the 2011 *Families in Good Company* awards.

Partners in Education of the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, Start Smart of Brown County—The Early Childhood Council and the Green Bay Press-Gazette will honor these employers with the 11<sup>th</sup> annual *Families in Good Company* awards. The awards honor Greater Green Bay employers who have made a commitment to family-friendly policies, an investment in our children, our future and the workforce of tomorrow.

Nominees will be evaluated by a panel of judges who will gauge success on a variety of criteria, including level of impact as a positive role model, the creation and implementation of family-friendly policies and the support of its employees' involvement in their children's education.

"Parent involvement in their children's education is important for the child's success and our success," said Nancy Schopf, vice president of education and leadership, Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce." Support for parental involvement through their workplace helps the employee and the employer. By promoting and recognizing family-friendly businesses, we all benefit."

The awards will be presented at the Chamber's annual dinner on Oct. 17, with additional recognition at Start Smart's annual State of Brown County's Children breakfast the following February. Recipients will also be listed in Start Smart's biennial State of Brown County's Children Report and newsletters. Recipients may use the Families in Good Company logo in advertisements, job announcements, promotions and for display at their work sites.

Associations with this logo will signify a company has successfully earned recognition for creating a workplace that supports higher productivity, healthier employees and an environment that encourages the balance of work and family responsibilities.

Nomination forms can be accessed at [www.titletown.org](http://www.titletown.org). Please submit nominations to the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce by Sept. 22.

For more information or for questions about the nomination/application process, please contact Nancy Schopf at 920.593.3413 or at [schopf@titletown.org](mailto:schopf@titletown.org).

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Established in 1882, the mission of the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce is to serve as the focal point of economic and community development. Chamber programs include Advance, Partners in Education, Leadership Green Bay, Brown County Teen Leadership, Current Young Professionals Network, Good Government Council and the International Business Development Consortium. The Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce is a four-star accredited chamber through the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

For more information on Partners in Education, visit [GreenBayPartnersinEducation.org](http://GreenBayPartnersinEducation.org) or call 920.437.8704. For more information about the Chamber, call 920.437.8704 or visit [titletown.org](http://titletown.org).

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