



2021 Lawton and Rhea Chiles Advocacy Award Nomination Instructions

Please contact info@childrensweek.org or 850-487-6300 with any questions

Deadline:

Nominations due **Thursday, February 18, 2021** at 6:00 PM EST

(Nomination packages received after this deadline will not be accepted)

Award Description:

Each year, Children's Week Florida™ presents the **Lawton and Rhea Chiles Advocacy Award** to a Floridian who has dedicated an extensive amount of time working to advocate for statewide issues affecting the status and well-being of children, youth, and families, and who has engaged others to promote policies and/or programs benefiting them.

This awardee may also have a record of service in either a professional or voluntary capacity, or both. This year's recipient will be honored on Monday, April 5, 2021 during the Children's Week Florida™ Advocacy Awards Reception. They will also be invited to participate in the Children's Week Florida™ Virtual Teen Town Hall on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 helping inspire young minds and motivate the next generation of advocates.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Anyone can submit a nomination; you may nominate yourself.
- Nominees must have demonstrated a commitment to advocating for public policies that improve the lives of Florida's children and their families.
- Nominees must represent the highest standards of professionalism and be well recognized as a leader in Florida's efforts to address children and family issues.

Required Nomination Package Components:

1. **Nomination Form** – Must complete all fields of the form and sign.
2. **Narrative Summary & Personal Statement** – Provide a narrative summary or personal statement that describes the nominee's contributions and/or commitment to serving children, youth, and families (total 750-word maximum).
3. **Photo** – Include a photo of nominee in jpeg or png format.

Additional Information:

- Award recipient and nominator will be notified by **Friday, March 19, 2021**.
- The Children's Week Florida™ Advocacy Awards Committee, a volunteer peer review group consisting of previous award winners and other advocates, will review all nominations.
- Submit the completed nomination package by email to info@childrensweek.org (*Subject: Nominee Name - Chiles Advocacy Award*) or you may send a hard copy of package and supporting documentation to:

Children's Week Florida c/o Children's Forum
Attn: Advocacy Awards Committee
1211 Governors Square Blvd, Suite 200
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Chiles Advocacy Award Nomination Form

Award Nominee Information

Full Name					
Organization					
Position or Title					
Phone					
Email					
Mailing Address					
City		State		Zip Code	

Nominator Information

Name					
Organization					
Position or Title					
Phone					
Email					
Mailing Address					
City		State		Zip Code	

Nominee/Nominator Statement: *My signature below confirms that the information submitted in this nomination package is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. My signature also confirms my consent and permission for the Chile's Advocacy Award sponsoring organizations (Children's Week FloridaTM and Children's Forum) to publish items contained within this nomination package in any related communications and promotions.*

Signature _____

Date _____



Chiles Advocacy Award Narrative Summary & Personal Statement

Tip: Be thorough, provide examples, and paint a complete picture of the nominee.

In 750 words or less, provide a narrative or personal statement explaining why the nominee (or yourself) has exemplified integrity, dedication, commitment and effectiveness in improving the lives of Florida's children, youth, and families within the past year. Examples may include, but are not limited to:

- Community or statewide advocacy awareness;
- Providing strong leadership to improve the lives of others; and/or
- Facilitating statewide policy or program changes that have benefited children and families.

