

April 7, 2010  
Jefferson City, MO

Missouri's Child Advocacy Day  
28<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

## Outstanding Child Advocate Nomination

The Alliance for Children, Youth, and Families has been recognizing outstanding child advocates for over 20 years. We need your help in identifying outstanding Children's Advocates who have influenced the lives of Missouri's children, youth, and families.

There are 3 categories this year: 1.) Rookie Advocate; 2.) Advocate in the Trenches; and 3.) Child Advocate of the Year. The nominee may work in/advocate for early childhood, child welfare, education, child health, youth development, or juvenile justice. The nominee should have a strong track record as an advocate for children's issues. This individual should demonstrate exemplary leadership in child advocacy as a representative for the interests of children and their families. Advocates may only receive the award one time. For a previous list of recipients, please visit [www.childadvocacyday.org](http://www.childadvocacyday.org).

***Please complete the following to nominate an advocate for an award.***

Your name:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Name of Nominee:

Agency (if applicable):

Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Award Category (please choose one):

\_\_\_\_\_ *Rookie Advocate* – an individual who has entered the field within the past 5 years and has demonstrated outstanding advocacy efforts in the area of early childhood, child welfare, education, child health, youth development, or juvenile justice

\_\_\_\_\_ *Advocate in the Trenches* – an individual who has been in the field 5-15 years and provides direct services to children and families in the area of early childhood, child welfare, education, child health, youth development, or juvenile justice

\_\_\_\_\_ *Child Advocate of the Year* – an individual who has been in the field for over 15 years and has demonstrated a body of distinguished service in advocating for children and families in the area of early childhood, child welfare, education, child health, youth development, or juvenile justice

**Please type your answers on this form and email them to Robin Zellers at [robin@moccrn.org](mailto:robin@moccrn.org) NO LATER THAN March 12, 2010.**

## The Missouri Alliance for Children, Youth, & Families

- 1). Nominee's area of work (e.g., early childhood, child welfare, education, child health, youth development, or juvenile justice)
  
- 2). Please explain why you think this individual should receive an award. (e.g., duration and type of service, impact on children, youth, or families, etc.)
  
- 3). Discuss how the nominee's personal strengths and skills make him/her an effective child advocate. Include an example of how the nominee has served as an inspiration to others.
  
- 4). Give a case example of how the nominee has had a significant impact on the life of a child or a particular family. (If applicable)
  
- 5). Describe how the nominee has promoted children's issues in the community or throughout the political process in the state.
  
- 6). Please provide any additional comments.

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