



Children's Week

2014 Schedule of Events

Below are the Children's Week events at the State Capital.

Advocacy Training Workshop "Making Your Case"

Thursday, March 27, 2014 • 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

This workshop is a legislative advocacy presentation designed to teach how to effectively communicate with legislators and policymakers. Hosted by Family Network on Disabilities, and presented by the Executive Director, Richard La Belle. For more information on this webinar, you can download the PowerPoint and the informational booklet.

Guided Tours of the Capitol

Monday - Wednesday, April 7-9, 2014 New and Old Capitol Buildings

New and Old Capitol buildings Bring your family, class or organization to the Capitol during Children's Week and enjoy guided tours of the old and new Capitol buildings. Groups will tour the Florida State Capitol buildings during Legislative Session and learn more about Florida government, civics and state history. Tours last between 45 minutes to 1 hour 30 minutes and provide a 'live classroom' for youth and adults to learn about Florida politics and civics.

Old Capitol Museum tours are available the following times:

Monday, April 7 - 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 p.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m.

Tuesday, April 8 - 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 p.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m.

Wednesday, April 9 - 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 p.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m.

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Children's Week Awards Dinner & Reception

Monday, April 7, 2014 • 5 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. FSU University Center Club

Children's Week partners host dozens of statewide association meetings in Tallahassee on Monday and the Children's Week Awards Dinner & Reception takes place Monday evening to honor and recognize Children's Week Partners and non-profit organizations who dedicate their lives to children.

The evening features a dynamic keynote speaker Florida Supreme Court Justice Barbara J. Pariente, live entertainment, a decadent dinner and reception, and the opportunity to network

with more than 350 advocates, policy makers and business leaders. In 2013, Dr. Gerold L. & Mrs. Audrey Lincourt Schiebler were announced as the winners of the Chiles Advocacy Award.

Dinner tickets are \$50 each. A limited number of tickets will be available to the general public for purchase on a first come, first served basis. Registration closes on March 24, 2014.

For information regarding the dinner, please contact Jason Zaborske at jz@childrensweek.org.

Children's Week Breakfast

Tuesday, April 8, 2014 • 8 to 10:00 a.m State Capitol Courtyard

Join us as we kick off the "Children's Capitol for a Day" activities on Tuesday, April 8 with the Children's Week Breakfast from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. Children and families in attendance will receive a free "Grab and Go Breakfast" for a healthy and nutritious way to start your day.

Children's Week Press Conference and Hanging of the Hands Dedication Ceremony

Tuesday, April 8, 2014 • 9 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. State Capitol Courtyard

The Hanging of the Hands Dedication Ceremony takes place on Tuesday, April 8th. Thousands of non-profit partners, policy makers, faith-based leaders and advocates join together to recognize the efforts of teachers, parents and children and dedicate the Children's hand art display to the Florida Legislature. Tuesday, April 8 is recognized as Parent's & Children's Day statewide.

Legislative Reading Corner

Tuesday, April 8, 2014 • 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. State Capitol Courtyard

Dozens of Florida Legislators will read to children throughout the day on the Courtyard of the State Capitol. Free books will be provided to all children who participate.

Reading Corner Times available on Tuesday, April 8:

9 am, 10 am, 10:30 am, 11 am, 12 pm, 12:30 pm, 1 pm, 1:30 pm

Children's Week Luncheon

Tuesday, April 8, 2014 • 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. State Capitol Courtyard

Thousands of attendees will receive a healthy and nutritious lunch from Newk's Eatery! Lunches are provided on a first come, first served basis. Advanced lunch reservations are accepted for large classes or groups traveling to Tallahassee.

Florida Youth SHINE Presents: Youth Advocacy Workshop

Tuesday, April 8, 2014 • 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tallahassee City Hall

A fun and interactive advocacy workshop that will inspire a new generation of youth advocates. If you are in middle or high school, please join us at our Youth Advocacy Workshop to learn how to turn your passions into action and make a difference in your community! Created by Florida YouthSHINE, a youth driven group of child advocates, this workshop will train the next generation of empowered teens. Have your voice heard!

If you would like to attend, e-mail your contact information to info@childrensweek.org.