



2022 AGENDA



March 8th
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ABOUT

CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY DAYS

Children's Advocacy Days (CAD) is an event with a 30-year history. It is an opportunity for children's advocates, service providers and others to come together to be inspired by speakers, leaders and peers. The event draws approximately 600 individuals interested in children and family issues. CAD consists of training, networking, advocacy and celebration.

TENNESSEE COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH

The Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth is an independent agency created by the Tennessee General Assembly. Its primary mission is to lead systems improvement for all children and families through data-driven advocacy, education, and collaboration. Information on the agency is available at www.tn.gov/tccy.

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INFORMATION AND MORE!**

CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY DAYS

8:30 am - 4:30 pm CST

Tuesday, March 8th, 2022

TUESDAY

- **Welcome and Opening Remarks** – Judge Robert Philyaw, Chair, Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth
- **Welcome to Tennessee Library and Archives-** Tre Hargett, Secretary of State
- Dr. Greg Jones, President, Belmont University
- **Understanding and Promoting Everyday Human Interactions** -Dana Winters, Ph.D., Executive Director, Fred Rogers Center for Early Learning and Children's Media
- **Commissioner Comments** -Lisa Piercey, MD, MBA, FAAP, Commissioner for Tennessee Department of Health
- **State of the Child in Tennessee**– Richard Kennedy, Executive Director, Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth
- **State of the Child in the U.S.**– Deborah Stein, Network Director, Partnership for America's Children
- **Commissioner Comments** - Jennifer Nichols, Commissioner, Tennessee Department of Children's Services
- **Infant/Early Childhood Mental Health**– Alison Peak, Chief Executive Officer, Allied Behavioral Health Solutions
- **Building Hope for the Future of Children's Mental Health-** Rikki Harris, Chief Executive Officer, TN Voices
- **Commissioner Comments** - Marie Willaims, LCSW, Commissioner, Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse
- Naomi Smoot Evans, J.D, Executive Director, The Coalition for Juvenile Justice
- Judge Shelia Calloway, Davidson County Juvenile Court
- **Tying it all together: How restorative practices, culture and trauma informed care intersect** - Andrea Joseph-McCatty, PhD, MSW, MA University of Tennessee College of Social Work

*We will sprinkle spotlights of different youth programs and award presentations throughout the day.

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8:30am - 12:30 pm CST

Wednesday, March 9th, 2022

WEDNESDAY

- **Welcome and Opening Remarks** – Craig Hargrow, Deputy Executive Director, Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth
- **Vanderbilt Center for Child Health Policy: results from the TN Child Health Poll** - Sarah Loch, Director of Research Operations, Vanderbilt Center for Child Health Policy
- **Commissioner Comments**-Penny Schwinn, PhD, Commissioner, Tennessee Department of Education
- **Child Friendly Cities Initiative** - Samuel (Sam) Pettyjohn, DrPH, MPH – Research Faculty, ETSU College of Public Health, Department of Community and Behavioral Health, Center for Rural Health Research & Kylee Phalen
- **Commissioner Comments** - Commissioner Brad Turner Tennessee Department of Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities
- **Deputy Commissioner Comments** - Deputy Commissioner of Programs and Services, Cherrell Campbell-Street, Tennessee Department of Human Services
- Blair Taylor, President & CEO Tennesseans for Quality Early Education
- **Closing** – Dr. Ryan Jackson, Mt. Pleasant High School

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