

PCSAO Leaders of Tomorrow Award Nomination

Each year, Public Children Services Association of Ohio (PCSAO) recognizes and celebrates the achievement of our youth and families who have been served by Ohio's public children services agencies. The 2022 PCSAO Award winners will announced during the 2022 annual conference to be held September 19-21 at the Hilton Easton, and local agencies will notify winners.

Thousands of children and youth who have been served by Ohio's child protection system have been successful because they built relationships and communities that allowed them to do wonderful things with their lives. Many have shown leadership and contributed to their communities in meaningful ways. These are the youth the Leaders of Tomorrow Awards seek to honor.

Nomination Criteria: the Leaders of Tomorrow award is open to youth ages of 15 to 18 years old (in school or recent graduates) who have had children services involvement, or youth who have reached the age of majority and have previous children services involvement.

You will need the following to complete the nomination, along with contact information: a nomination letter, one recommendation letter from the agency director and supporting material from the youth (see Materials section below).

Your e-mail * 

Your name * 

Your phone number * 

Your agency * 

Leaders of Tomorrow Nominee

(No description)

Nominee's name * 

Nominee's date of birth * 
mm/dd/yyyy

Nominee's age * 

Nominee's email * 

Nominee's phone number * 

Nominee's address * 

Nominee's caseworker *



Caseworker's email *



Agency supervisor *



Agency supervisor's email *



Current status of youth



- Reunified with birth family
- Achieved permanency through legal custody to kin
- Achieved permanency through adoption
- Living in planned permanent living arrangement
- Currently in foster or kinship care
- Emancipated from foster care without achieving permanency

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Materials

Please provide the following information:

- The Nominating Letter – In the nominating letter, explain why you believe the nominee deserves the recognition, and include the following details:
- Describe the nominee's case situation without breaking confidentiality. Please use sensitivity in your description.
- Did this youth achieve permanency? If not, why?
- List accomplishments, achievements or awards.
- Indicate scholastic progress and status.
- List extracurricular activities, hobbies, sports, work, volunteer efforts, etc.
- Tell about a great moment, event or memory in the child's life.
- Relate something funny and share something emotionally moving.
- What are the nominee's future plans?

Please keep in mind that the award reviewers are relying on the information you provide, as well as any supporting information, to choose the most deserving recipient. Clarity and specificity are most important.

Supporting Materials from the youth – This year we are asking youth to include a submission explaining how they built relationships that allowed them to be successful and why they would like to be chosen for this honor, which also includes with a \$250 monetary award. This could take the form of an essay, a video or another creative interpretation such as a piece of artwork representing their journey accompanied by an explanation, or "top ten things I want to be when I grow up." We are looking to hear from the youth in their voice...we will not be checking grammar or grading this 😊

Recommendation Letters – You may include a maximum of 3 supporting letters. One must be a brief approval letter from the director. The other supporting letters are optional. They may come from someone who is familiar with the nominee.

Upload the nominating letter here *



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Upload recommendation letter from agency director here *



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