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Jefferson City, Missouri

Missouri's Child Advocacy Day 30th Anniversary

What are Lobby Groups?

Lobby groups are groups that are led by a Lobby Group Leader. The groups provide support for those who have no or little experience speaking with legislators. The Lobby Group Leaders have already made appointments with the Senator from your congressional district and are there to answer questions and provide support during your trip to the Capitol. Lobby Leaders will also have “leave behinds” for the Senators.

Who are Lobby Group Leaders?

Lobby Group Leaders are individuals who have experience speaking with legislators and advocating for children in Jefferson City and Washington D.C. They have been trained to answer your questions, give tips on speaking with legislators and provide you support during your visit to the Capitol on Child Advocacy Day.

Who should participate with the Lobby Groups?

Anyone attending Child Advocacy Day can participate with the Lobby Groups. If you have questions about speaking with legislators or would like someone with you while you speak to your Senator you should participate with the Lobby Groups.

Can you earn clock hours for participating with the Lobby Groups?

Individuals who participate in the Lobby Groups can earn one (1) clock hour.

If I participate with a Lobby Group, what do I need to prepare for Child Advocacy Day?

Make sure you are dressed appropriately for the day, including comfortable shoes and business casual dress. Be prepared to leave your contact information in case your legislator would like to contact you for more information. You can also attend the Advocacy 101 or 102 training the morning of Child Advocacy Day.

If I do not participate with a Lobby Group, what do I need to prepare for Child Advocacy Day?

Make sure you are dressed appropriately for the day, including comfortable shoes and business casual dress. Contact your Senator before Child Advocacy Day and make an appointment to speak with them. Be prepared to leave your contact information in case your legislator would like to contact you for more information. You can also attend the Advocacy 101 or 102 training the morning of Child Advocacy Day.

Also, be sure to review Tips on Meeting with Legislators at the Capitol available from the Downloads page on this website.