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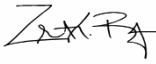
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TO: CTA Chapter Presidents  
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FROM: E. Toby Boyd, President   
California Teachers Association

SUBJECT: **2021 CHAPTER-IN-POLITICS AWARD  
IN HONOR OF JOYCE FADEM**

The California Teachers Association is pleased to announce the opening of nominations for the annual Chapter-In-Politics Award Program in Honor of Joyce Fadem. This year we celebrate the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the award presentation.

With the approval of the State Council of Education and the CTA Board of Directors, this tribute to Joyce Fadem was inaugurated in 1985, with the first award presentation in 1986. The award is designed to honor CTA chapters for outstanding contributions to their colleagues throughout the state through effective use of the political process.

Chapter involvement in politics is crucial to our success. Recognizing and rewarding involvement will ensure continued and increased involvement in the future. This process gives you an opportunity to have your chapter's political activism recognized.

One award each will be given for small, medium and large chapters. Additionally, CTA will give one statewide award to a "Rookie" chapter that has not been politically active prior to the election for which the nomination is submitted.

Each of the nominees will receive a "Chapter-In-Politics" certificate, to be presented to the nominees at a future meeting of the Service Center Council (SCC).

The Awards Committee will select the 2021 "Chapter-In-Politics" winners from among the nominees submitted. The award period extends from January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021. The awards will be presented to the winners at the spring State Council meeting.

If your chapter would like to apply for consideration, carefully review the attached guidelines, complete the nomination form (also attached), along with the additional information requested and email to [tcampa@cta.org](mailto:tcampa@cta.org) by **Friday, February 4, 2022**. You may also mail to the CTA Governmental Relations office and must be postmarked no later than the **February 4, 2022** deadline.

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The SCC Chairs will be notified of award recipients. If the chapter also submitted a Request for Certificate, the certificate will be sent to the SCC chair for presentation.

Please note the guidelines and nomination form are also available on the [CTA website](#).

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cc: CTA Board of Directors  
CTA State Council Members

Attachments:  
Guidelines  
Nomination Form  
Request for Certificate

## **2021 CHAPTER-IN-POLITICS AWARD PROGRAM IN HONOR OF JOYCE FADEM**

### **I. PURPOSE**

To recognize, as a tribute to the late Joyce Fadem, Director of Governmental Relations, outstanding chapters in politics for their contributions to the education profession through political action.

### **II. PROCEDURE**

- A. Chapters are encouraged to apply. Each chapter president will be provided a nomination form for this purpose. Nominations can be submitted via email to [tcampa@cta.org](mailto:tcampa@cta.org) by **February 4, 2022** or you may mail to CTA Governmental Relations, Attn: Tony Campa, 1118 10th Street, Sacramento, CA, 95814, and must be postmarked no later than **February 4, 2022** deadline.
- B. Each chapter nominee will be awarded a certificate. The certificate will be prepared by CTA and forwarded to the SCC chairpersons for presentation to the chapter nominees at an appropriate SCC event.
- C. The Awards Committee will screen and assess all information received about the nominees and will select one small, one medium, and one large chapter from among those nominated to receive the awards. Additionally, they will select one "Rookie" chapter that has not been politically active prior to the election for which the nomination is submitted.
- D. The chapters selected will be honored by the CTA State Council of Education at its spring meeting as the "Chapter-In-Politics of the Year" recipient. Each Chapter-In-Politics of the Year winner will be presented a Chapter-In-Politics Award.

**III. GUIDELINES**

- A. Nominees should be chapters devoting their time, energy, and expertise to promoting member-participation in the political process.
- B. What political activities has the chapter participated in which would qualify for the Chapter-In-Politics Award for the 2021 calendar year? Recent political activity is necessary to qualify, but past work is important background information.

Information should be provided about the following:

- Chapter activities to get the membership involved in politics.
  - Involvement in statewide CTA legislative/political priority activities such as school finance, political campaigns, and initiatives.
  - Involvement in local CTA priorities such as campaigns of recommended candidates, school board elections, political training workshops, legislative newsletters, or organizing chapter political action committees.
  - Involvement in partisan and/or nonpartisan political activities at the local, state, and/or federal level in campaigns of "friends of education" or "educationally-related" issue campaigns.
  - Involvement in coalition-building, either single issue (i.e., propositions) or long-term coalitions (i.e., public employee, school community).
- C. What specific impact did the above activities have on one or more of the following groups or organizations?

- Members
- Chapter
- The Service Center Council
- CTA
- NEA
- The Community

- D. Please submit samples of letters, fliers, newsletters, etc., used by chapter indicating political activities. Please include as much supporting data as possible.

**IV. TIMELINES**

- A. Email nominations to [tcampa@cta.org](mailto:tcampa@cta.org) by **February 4, 2022**. You may also submit by mailing to CTA Governmental Relations, Attn: Tony Campa, 1118 10th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and must be postmarked no later than **February 4, 2022** deadline.
- B. The Awards Committee will select the winners.
- D. The nominee certificates will be mailed to the SCC chairperson as requested.
- E. The presentation of the Chapter-In-Politics Awards will occur at the spring meeting of the CTA State Council of Education.

# 2021 CHAPTER-IN-POLITICS AWARD

## NOMINATION FORM

This nomination form is to be completed by the Chapter President and sent to the CTA Governmental Relations Department by **February 4, 2022**.

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NAME OF CHAPTER: \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF ASSOCIATION MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_ DIRECTORIAL DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_

DOES YOUR CHAPTER QUALIFY AS A "ROOKIE" CHAPTER-IN-POLITICS? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

**Signature of Chapter President** \_\_\_\_\_  
(MUST BE SIGNED)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

SERVICE CENTER COUNCIL: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Chapter political activities during the past 12 months; include number of members involved in each activity on checklist: (Attach additional information if needed.)

	<u>YES</u>	<u>% OF MEMBERS</u>	<u>NO</u>
a. School Board Races	_____	_____	_____
b. Legislative & Congressional Races	_____	_____	_____
c. Statewide Ballot Initiatives	_____	_____	_____
d. Presidential Endorsement Activities	_____	_____	_____
e. Presidential Campaign Activities	_____	_____	_____

	<u>YES</u>	<u>% OF MEMBERS</u>	<u>NO</u>
f. Get-Out-The-Vote Activities	_____	_____	_____
g. Letter Writing Campaign			
1) State	_____	_____	_____
2) National	_____	_____	_____
h. NEA Lobby-By-Mail Activity	_____	_____	_____
i. Precinct Walking	_____	_____	_____
j. Legislative Contacts			
1) In person	_____	_____	_____
2) By telephone	_____	_____	_____
k. Legislative Newsletters	_____	_____	_____
l. Ongoing Chapter PAC	_____	_____	_____

Please explain annual activities:

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Political action training: (Please state who received the training and/or who participated.)

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2. NEA-PAC member participation:
- a. Percentage (%) of members \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Number of NEA-PAC members \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Date of most recent NEA-PAC drive \_\_\_\_\_
3. Does your chapter have a local political action fund? \_\_\_\_\_
- a. Amount of money raised in the last two years \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. What were your fundraising activities?
    - 1) Reception/Dinners \_\_\_\_\_
    - 2) Direct donations \_\_\_\_\_
    - 3) Other, please explain \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Please state how the money was distributed:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Please explain SCC activities in which your chapter regularly participates:
- a. Regular participation in SCC meetings  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Participation in SCC political action training  
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  - c. Participation in Legislative and Congressional Interview Teams  
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d. Participation in Legislative and Congressional Endorsement meetings

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e. Participation in Legislative/Congressional/Presidential activities

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5. Has your chapter received CTA/ABC funding within the past two years?  
How much money was received and how was it used?

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6. Please detail your chapter's involvement in coalitions. (Those that are single issue and/or ongoing groups.)

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7. Please detail your chapter's political involvement history and provide materials used in those activities. (Attach extra sheets if necessary. Include pertinent information regarding the political demographics/make-up of your district.)

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8. Why does your chapter believe it merits the Chapter-In-Politics Award? (Please explain)

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**Note: It is not necessary to attach supporting documents,  
but it would help in the selection process.**

**Nomination Form Submitted by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Position:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CALIFORNIA TEACHERS ASSOCIATION  
2021 CHAPTER-IN-POLITICS AWARD  
IN HONOR OF JOYCE FADEM**

**Request for Certificate**

**DIRECTIONS:** This form is to be completed by the Chapter President or Service Center Council chairperson and emailed to [tcampa@cta.org](mailto:tcampa@cta.org), along with the nomination form by **February 4, 2022**. You may also mail and must be postmarked no later than **February 4, 2022** deadline to CTA Governmental Relations, Attn: Tony Campa, 1118 10th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814.

To be presented to: \_\_\_\_\_  
(CTA Chapter Name)

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Service Center Council)

Date scheduled for presentation: \_\_\_\_\_

Certificate to be sent to: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Service Center Council Chairperson)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (Zip)

Home Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_