

Take Stock in Children of Alachua County student scholar selected as finalist for Leaders for Life Fellowship

The Education Foundation of Alachua County's Take Stock in Children student Angel Ruth Amigo is one of 12 students who were nominated to receive the Leaders for Life Fellowship, created in partnership with the Asofsky Family Foundation. For nearly 25 years, Take Stock in Children has provided college scholarships to deserving low-income students in order to lessen the financial burdens of post-secondary education.

Amigo is currently a senior at Gainesville High School in the Academy of Health Professions and the Cambridge program. She hopes to get her Bachelors of Science in Nursing at the University of Florida and eventually become a DNP. She is applying to the University of Florida, Florida State University, University of Central Florida, and other Universities. She has earned 103 hours of community service by volunteering with Key Club, the Florida Museum of Natural History, and the Kanapaha Middle School American Heart Association.



Angel Ruth Amigo (center holding box) at Gainesville High School is a [Take Stock in Children](#) scholar and was selected as one of twelve statewide finalists for the Leaders for Life Fellowship! As a finalist, she received a MacBook Pro. The L4L fellowship was created in partnership with the Asofsky Family. The fellowship is valued at \$40,000. The six winners of the fellowship will be announced on Dec.3, 2019.

Angel Ruth Amigo was surprised with the news of her selection as a finalist at Gainesville High School on October 21, 2019. Amigo's parents and sister, mentor, teacher, principal and Take Stock in Children staff were at GHS to support Amigo's success. Amigo also received a new MacBook Pro laptop courtesy of the Asofsky Family Foundation.

"I can't imagine there being anyone else... as accomplished, as positive, and with a sincere desire to passionately help others and make her school and community a better place," David Shelnett, principal of Gainesville High School.

Take Stock in Children's Leaders 4 Life Fellowship Program was created in partnership with the Asofsky Family Foundation to provide financial resources, services and support needed to ensure student success throughout college. The fellowship provides funds for textbooks and supplies, housing, transportation, food and other college-related expenses. The mission of this program is to enable these students to excel in a university environment by giving them the resources that empower them to develop their full potential as "leaders for life."

Six of the 12 finalists will be selected for the 2019 Leaders 4 Life Fellowship. Leaders for Life are students that demonstrate strong leadership skills, moral character, and academic success. The finalists will be announced on December 3, 2019.

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About The Education Foundation of Alachua County

The Education Foundation of Alachua County, Inc. is a 501(C)3 organization founded in 1986 whose mission is to invest in the future of Alachua County's public school students. The foundation administers multiple programs including Take Stock in Children, Senior Scholarships, and Catalyst for Change Teacher Grants. The Education Foundation also supports teacher and employee recognition events as well as provides funding for staff development training. For more information about The Education Foundation, visit their website at www.EdFoundationAC.org.