

A Roadmap To Success For Our Children

2020 ESCCC/WBNY
Legislative
Agenda



- Increase rates for Early Intervention providers, evaluators, and service coordinators by 10% in the New York State FY2020-21 budget.
- Adopt policies that ensure insurance companies pay their fair share to cover the cost of EI services.

- New York commits to achieving universal access to quality, affordable child care by 2025.
- To set New York on a path to meeting the goal of universal access, New York makes significant building block investments in child care this year, including:
 - Investing at least \$40M to create a fund to increase workforce compensation, stabilize providers, and improve child care quality.
 - Investing at least \$60 million in the state's child care subsidy program to expand access to more working families by making eligibility levels and co-pays more fair and uniform across the state.



Child
Care



Pre-K

- Invest at least \$150M to expand access across the State to quality full-day Pre-K, including:
 - \$125 million to expand access to pre-K full-day and part-day for both three- and four-year-olds.
 - \$25 million to enhance quality and eliminate barriers to expansion, as districts expand pre-K.
- Increase the reimbursement rate for preschool special education classes and evaluations by at least 10%.
- Protect and build on the state's current \$857.2 million investment in pre-K.
- Strengthen support for community programs to provide pre-K services.
- Include appropriate investment in pre-K aid.

- **Increase the per** student allotment of afterschool state funding streams to at least \$2,320 by investing an additional \$25.2 million in the Empire State After-School Program, and an additional \$5.12 million in the Advantage After School Program.
- Restore \$22.3 million baseline funding for Advantage, and maintain funding for the \$10.7 million minimum wage increase through FY23-24.
- Continue \$24.3 million for the Extended School Day/School Violence Prevention (ESD/SVP) program, and protect the \$15.6 million for the Youth Development Program (YDP).
- Make summer programs an allowable expense under the Advantage program.



Out Of
School Time

When all of this works together, the result is healthy children, families, and economy.

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