Transforming the Workforce for Children Birth Through Age 8: A Unifying Foundation for Minnesota

An Update from Minnesota’s Birth to 8 (B8) Workforce Core Team

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Minnesota’s Children
Minnesota’s Early Childhood Providers
Costs & Outcomes

• Early childhood care is also expensive - -MN ranks between the 6 or the 8th most expensive state for child care
  • 6th = infants
  • 8th = 4 year olds

• Only 50% of MN children are showing up for Kindergarten ready – **WE THINK**!
P3 Design Team – Year Two

2017 PreK-3 Design Team Report

Moving to Mixed Delivery, Voluntary Preschool for Four Year Olds: An Approach for Minnesota

READ THE REPORT
Bachelor’s Degrees?

“Minnesota should support early childhood educators in accessing pathways to higher education and credentials, including a content-specific BA degree, but should not require a BA at this time.”
B8 Workforce with National Academies
MN Early Childhood Ecosystem

It’s complicated.
Minnesota Landscape of Early Childhood Workforce Stakeholders

P3 Design Team and Advisory Team for PDG Grant and NAS work

Governors Early Learning Council

MDE Preschool Development Grant (PDG)

Child Care Legislative Task Force

MnAEYC/NAEYC Power to the Profession

Minnesota’s Future

NGA Taskforce of Workforce Compensation

Voices and Choices for Children Coalition

Parent Aware Advisory Council

National Academy of Science (NAS) - Implementation of Transforming the Workforce Recommendations

Early Childhood Stakeholders

Other National Early Childhood Organizations
Priority Area One:

Develop and Enhance Minnesota’s Institutes of Early Childhood Higher Education
Priority Area Two

Comprehensive pathways to higher education and credentials, including a Bachelor’s degree
Priority Area Three

Quality field placements, including student teaching and induction supports
Priority Area Four:

Collect and use early childhood workforce data to inform stakeholders and policy decisions.
Looking Ahead:
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