



## Election Year: Letter to the Editor Template

Make young children a priority on Election Day

Dear Editor,

More than ever, the economy is weighing on the minds of voters as they consider who to support for public office.

In difficult fiscal times it is important to invest in effective policies that maximize the state's resources. Research demonstrates that high-quality early education leads to positive outcomes for children, families, communities, and the economy. A study by the independent Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis found that investments in high-quality early education yield a 16% return on every dollar invested.

As a voter in [TOWN] and a [PARENT, TEACHER, BUSINESS PERSON, ETC. - PERSONALIZE WHY], young children will be a top priority for me when I go to the polls on Election Day.

Changing the trajectory of our state's economy requires both short- and long-term solutions. High-quality early education offers both: better preparing our children to succeed in school today, while helping to ensure that our knowledge-based economy has the skilled workforce needed to succeed tomorrow.

Young children cannot vote, but candidates should take notice: high-quality early education is a priority for voters who are serious about making investments in our economy that make sense today and in the years ahead.

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