National Poll Reveals Widespread Agreement on Support For Early Childhood Education

Conducted on behalf of Centerline Liberties



25% of voters have or will restrict their family planning due to concerns about the costs of raising a child.

A plurality of voters, 42%, believe that the wages that childhood workers receive are inadequate.

Voters show broad support for **Early Childhood Education Programs**

81% of national voters support state-level investment in early childhood education. **79%** support additional federal investment.

74% of **Republicans** support additional government investment in early childhood education.

Voters See a Strong Need for Early Childhood Education Programs

- deem childcare in their community expensive, with 37% saying it is very expensive.
- think that investing in early childhood education is a crucial government priority.
- say that early childhood education is one of the **most important issues** relative to other issues, like the economy or healthcare.
- 52% believe American families with children are struggling.



- Policymakers who act on this consensus won't just be doing right by children and families they'll be rewarded politically. Americans don't see early childhood investments as charity. They see them as essential social infrastructure for America's future stability and prosperity.
 - Alex Lundry, Republican Pollster & Co-Founder of Redbud Consulting

Child Health Arguments Best Sway Voters on Early Childhood Education



believe identifying and supporting kids with development delays is important.



say that services for children's emotional and behavioral health are important.

89%



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believe programs that support meals, health screenings, and medical care for young children are important.

N = 800 Registered Voters; Conducted Online; Sept 23-25, 2025; moe = +/- 3%

Key Messages:

- Level playing field: Framing early childhood education as ensuring all children, regardless of income, get a strong foundation, promoting the values of opportunity and meritocracy.
- Network effects: Investing in families creates lasting benefits for everyone in society. This can be invoked through either a positive frame (strengthens families, improves schools, builds thriving communities) or a negative frame (decreases need for special education services, reduces juvenile crime and lowers social service dependency).

