FOR FAMILIES

Early Childhood Education Endowment

Connecticut Is Investing In Children

Governor Lamont set up a permanent savings account to fund the care and education of Connecticut's young children. This is the first important step to build a strong, sustainable child care system that supports all families in the state. The endowment fund will earn income from investments so that it can continue to grow. Part of the funds will be distributed to support early education each year.



finding child care

Connecticut families will have access to more child care spaces affording child care

Funds will support making child care more affordable for families high quality education

Competitive salaries, insurance subsidies, and training will create a stronger system a voice in child care

Families, communities, and providers will have ways to connect future vision

Families can rely on care; children have nurturing environments to learn and grow

2025 through 2026

More than 1,000 Early Start CT child care spaces will be added Local Governance Partners launch to connect families and communities

Starting in July 2027

New Early Start CT fee structure for families

Less than \$100,000 in annual income will be eligible for free child care Over \$100,000 in annual income will not pay more than 7% of income Educator increases, increased training, and insurance subsidy study



<u>Local Governance Partners</u> (LGP) will act as the community's early childhood hub, partnering with families and providers to meet community needs.



<u>Early Start CT</u> is a new state-funded early childhood program to help make child care more affordable.



Learn more at www.ctoec.org/early-childhood-education-endowment/