

# Help us show early learning matters this election



Parents know what their children need to thrive. Join us to advocate for why early learning matters and to give children a voice.

With a Federal Election on 18 May, now is a crucial time to make sure the voices advocates for children are heard by our local sitting members of parliament and candidates registering to contest seats.

This federal election we want politicians to

1. Develop an Early Years Strategy - because children matter.
2. Give all children two days early education a week - because early learning matters.
3. Permanently fund Universal Access to early education - because certainty of funding matters.
4. Give all children two years early education - because early learning matters.
5. Make sure First Nations and isolated children get appropriate, high quality early education - because early education matters even more to certain groups of children.
6. Fund the National Quality Framework - because the quality of early education children receive matters.
7. Fund workforce development - because early educators and teachers matter.

## WHAT THE CAMPAIGN IS DOING

- Inviting every sitting MP and registered candidates of the major parties to take part in an on line Early Learning Everyone Benefits Election 2019 [Candidate Survey](#)
- Sending every politician and candidate a two page [political briefing](#) about why early learning matters for every Australian child, and what action they need to commit to so that all children benefit from access to quality early learning.
- Providing an Early Learning Matters political action kit via the [Early Learning Everyone Benefits](#) website – with access to the online survey and political briefing and information on how to lobby your local politicians and how to hold or engage with local candidate forums.
- Creating Electorate Profiles of about [25 priority electorates](#) – spread across all states and territories.
- Planning at least one National Early Childhood Election Forum, to be Live-streamed in April 2019.

## ACTION YOU CAN TAKE

Use our easy [email template](#) to show your local federal candidates that #EarlyLearningMatters

Visit the [Get Involved](#) page

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All the materials are endorsed by the [27 organisations](#) who support this national collaboration.



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Early Learning Everyone Benefits is a national partnership of 27 organisations including early childhood peaks, research institutions, early childhood service providers and community organisations. Our goals are: to increase community understanding of the long term benefits of early learning for children, families, communities and the nation; and to increase children's access to quality early learning.

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