What a week! After a string of decision days where justices released only one or two items, the Supreme Court decision-dumped a truckload of kid-relevant cases Thursday. The outcome of Fulton v. City of Philadelphia offered a small victory for religious agencies to discriminate against LGBTQ+ foster parents, but the issue considered was narrow (hence, the 9-0 decision). The Court also punted on a child slavery case that accused Nestle and Cargill of supporting a cocoa production system that they knew was dependent on child slave labor. And even though the decision to preserve the ACA came on a technicality (lack of standing), we’re relieved that health care coverage for millions of Americans — including 3 million children — will be protected.

In other news...

The Administration, members of Congress, advocates and academics told us how and why every issue — from immigration to taxes to health care — is a kids issue during our fourth annual Children’s Week. #ItsAKidsIssue

Highlights to check out:

- Kick-off event on the American Families Plan, with remarks from Secretary of Education Miguel Cardona and discussion among experts on the game-changing improvements to the Child Tax Credit. Sen. Michael Bennet (D-CO) joined later in the week to explain how making the changes permanent would benefit millions of children and the people who care for them.
- Launch of our #DearGrownUps #BackToSchool campaign with Highlights for Children. There’s still time to “lean in and listen” as we ask kids to share their hopes and concerns for a post-quarantine school year at this link.
- An immigration conversation not about kids at the border, but about children of immigrants and immigrant children already in the United States and why they must have a path to citizenship, with award-winning advocates.
- Our expert panel on why child care is not just a kids issue. Thought leaders explain how child care and early education offer vital infrastructure for the U.S. economy.
- A First Focus sit-down with Prof. Derek Black, author of “Schoolhouse Burning,” on public education’s fundamental role in democracy and equity, and why we should be worried about today’s attacks on it.
For a complete catalogue of events, visit our Children's Week page.