



2024-25 Year in Review

Professional Development programs support well-trained early educators who help children learn and grow. We offer online and face-to-face training.

- Offered 829 classroom-based training events with 5,260 attendees and 457 online training events through Eager-to-Learn with over 42,000 attendees, and through an online pilot with 615 attendees.
- 84 training events were taught in a language other than English, with 1,106 attendees.

Parent Aware helps child care programs improve their quality and provides the tools and resources they need to succeed.

- 510 Child Care Centers, 595 Family Child Care Programs, 7 Head Start sites (under two grantees), and 262 Public PreK sites (in 151 Districts) received Parent Aware ratings.

Child Care Information Services helps families find quality child care and early education programs through a free online search tool, online chat, phone consultations, and other resources in multiple languages.

- Completed 330 referral calls and 1,032 touchpoint calls (topics include special needs care, financial assistance, Early Learning Scholarships, the Provider Update Tool, and basic needs).
- Hosted 168,000 visitors and over 110,000 completed searches on ParentAware.org and chatted with 370 parents.

Financial Supports includes scholarships and grants to help child care professionals increase their level of education and improve the quality of their programs.

- Helped 409 early education professionals increase their education through the TEACH program.
- 32 TEACH apprentices worked with 26 mentors.
- 934 early educators received REETAIN Bonuses.
- 77 early educators were awarded CDA scholarships and/or PD Specialist stipends.
- 2,073 programs received technical support for the state's Great Start Compensation Grants program.

Empower to Educate helps current and aspiring early childhood educators advance and sustain their career goals in child care. As of December 2025:

- Seventeen workforce advisors statewide serve 376 current participants.
- 43% of E2E participants identify as people of color or Hispanic. Sixty-nine percent have low incomes.
- 612 Empower to Educate Stipends were distributed.
- 37 mentor/mentee pairings are underway.

Child Care Wayfinder is a one-stop navigation network that helps people create, sustain, and expand licensed family child care and center-based programs.

- 35 Wayfinder Navigators are serving 1,574 potential and currently licensed programs. Seventy-five percent were family child care programs.
- Helped 189 Family Child Care programs with 1,685 spaces and 37 Centers with 1,221 spaces become licensed.

(Unless otherwise noted, all data is from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025.)