

2026 Iowa Priorities

Education

- Support parity in bi-state region for CCAP program eligibility to ensure consistent access for working families
 - Support expansion of full-day, high quality pre-school options
 - Address administrative delays of CCA reimbursements to providers
 - Promote funding for apprenticeships, work-based learning, and career & technical education, including Iowa's 260 programs
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2026 Illinois Priorities

Education

- Align with and support the new Illinois Department of Early Childhood
 - Promote funding for high-quality full-day preschool
 - Engage with Illinois State Board of Education and Governor's Office on statewide numeracy plan
 - Address administrative delays in CCA reimbursements to child care providers
 - Promote funding for apprenticeships, work based learning, and career and technical education
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2026 Federal Priorities

Education

- Support the Child Care Modernization Act
- Maintain and grow funding for the Child Care Development Block Grant (CCDBG)
- Maintain and grow funding for Head Start and Early Head Start
- Increase access to work-based learning, apprenticeships, and career and technical education through improved funding and regulatory relief