



So You Have an Early Learning Program? Help Your Staff and Families Vote on #ElectionDay

The children you care for can't vote, but the staff and families you work with can! Our votes impact our children's futures—and on November 6, we all have an opportunity to make our voices heard. Here are 3 ways you can support your staff and families to vote:

Make It Known

Everyone is busy. We can take care to remind the people in our lives that Tuesday is the day! You can post on Facebook, email a newsletter, send home a note in backpacks, or hang up a flyer.

Sample language: Our votes impact our children's futures. No matter who you are voting for, Election Day is a day to make our voices heard. If you need to know where to vote and what to bring, check out www.vote411.org.

Make It Personal

Drop-off and pick-up can be hectic, but in-person conversations are one of the best ways to get out the vote! If you can't do it then, you can always make a special phone call the night before or the morning of Election Day!

Sample language: I know we don't talk politics at pick-up, but this isn't about politics. This is about using our votes to impact our children's futures, so I want to remind you about the elections happening on November 6. Have you decided when you will go out and vote? Do you know where your polling place is? Is there anything I can do to help you prepare for Election Day?

[Bonus: Use this America for Early Ed phone banking resource and script!](#)

Make It Possible

It's not always easy to make it to the polls. There are really important things that early learning programs can do to help make it that much more possible.

- Extend your hours so parents can vote before or after work
- Plan for coverage to maintain regulation-required ratios so staff can vote
- Offer rides to the polls (or connect them to the ride-sharing apps that are providing free rides on Election Day!)

[BONUS: Take a look at these Election Day Activities resource](#) for more ideas, and remember: "Our Votes. Their Futures." is a nonpartisan campaign to elevate early childhood education and educators in elections. You can encourage the people in your world to vote by focusing on the process, not on the politics. That means you shouldn't tell people who or what party to vote for, but you should remind them that early childhood education is important, that their voice matters, and that they should remember to vote, period.

**It's time to deliver on the promise of high-quality early learning for all children.
It's time to #VOTE. Happy Election Day!**