



## Sample Proclamation Language

Make a statement in your community by asking local leaders to recognize the importance of early childhood care and education with a formal proclamation. Our template makes it easy and you can customize the language as needed:

WHEREAS, children who receive quality early childhood education develop important skills, such as self-confidence, self-discipline, and ability to work well with others, that are necessary for success throughout life; and

WHEREAS, quality early childhood care and education helps Nebraska families work while their infants, toddlers, and preschoolers are being prepared for success by a caring and skilled early childhood educator; and

WHEREAS, the work of early childhood educators greatly contributes to helping Nebraska's economy thrive now and in the future; and

WHEREAS, access to affordable, quality child care and early learning is an important part of keeping Nebraska a great place to raise a family and live a good life; and

WHEREAS, community partners across Nebraska have come together for the We Care for Kids campaign to raise awareness on the importance of early childhood education, to ensure that early educators are valued and well-supported, and to provide communities with tools to spread the word and build demand for all Nebraska families to have access to quality early childhood education; and

WHEREAS, on [April 1<sup>st</sup> through April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023], families, educators, and community organizations across Nebraska will come together in support of [Week of the Young Child] to celebrate quality early childhood care and education for all Nebraska families.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, [Municipality/City/County Official], DO HEREBY PROCLAIM [April 1<sup>st</sup> through April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023], as

[Week of the Young Child]

In [Municipality/City/County], and I do hereby urge all citizens to take due note of the observance.

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF I hereunto set my hand and cause the Seal of [Municipality/City/County] to be herein affixed.