



Quality Early Childhood Education
For All Nebraska Families

We Care for Kids Advocacy Tool—Email/Letter

In Nebraska, state legislators can act to ease the child care crisis for families and providers, but they need to hear from the public about why this issue should be a priority. That's why we need to contact our legislators and let them know how the crisis is impacting all of us.

Not sure who to reach out to? [You can find your representative by entering your address here.](#)

The best way to make your message heard is to make it personal. Share a story about how early childhood education has impacted you, your family, or your community. Talk about how increased access to affordable, quality child care would help your business grow, your family earn more, or your children succeed. Whatever your story is, it's an important part of solving Nebraska's child care crisis!

Email/Letter:

Emails and letters are one way to reach state senators. Here are some tips for writing an email or letter.

- Make sure to identify yourself and where you live. If you live in the senator's district, be sure to say that.
- Share your story. Representatives often receive hundreds of copy/pasted emails on the same subject. It's important to personalize your letter or email to make sure it's read! It helps to share a personal story about why early childhood education matters to you, your family, and your community.

Example email/letter:

Dear Senator _____,

I am writing you today to encourage you to solve Nebraska's child care crisis. As a [parent, educator, advocate], I see firsthand the importance of quality early childhood education for our families and communities every day.

[Insert a story about why early childhood education is important to you.]

Nebraskans rely on child care—and we need our leaders to step up and solve this crisis. This means investing so we can pay teachers like the education professionals they are, helping families afford quality child care, and making it so child care programs can succeed.

I hope that you will prioritize solving this crisis during the legislative session.

Sincerely,

[Your name]