



Children First Action Fund General 2022 Survey Results

The Children First Action Fund is surveying all candidates for Pennsylvania House and Senate to learn more about their views on issues affecting the lives of children. We invite you to learn more by reviewing their responses below; by contacting their campaigns; and by following them on social media. Let me know your views on the importance of ensuring young children in Pennsylvania get the early education supports they need and deserve.

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You are running for election in which district? HD 131

Q: What are your views on the benefits, or drawbacks, of allocating additional state funds for high-quality pre-k education?

A: I am in favor of increasing funding for pre-k and I appreciate the value of programs like this.

Q: How important, or unimportant, are increased public resources to expand access and affordability to high-quality child care to working families in your district?

A: I support high-quality child care. Making it affordable for all families in my district is very important to me.

Q: Should the wages for child care workers and preschool teachers be commensurate with those of other educators with similar qualifications and experience?

A: Yes

Q: Will you support the expansion of state investment dollars to serve those in your district who can benefit from home visiting?

A: Yes

Q: In addition to making child care more accessible and affordable, what other policies would you champion to help businesses facing a workforce shortage?

A: I support different options to allow for more flexibility for parents. Some ideas would be more child care on-site at companies, more remote working, and flexible hours. I think this will help more working parents return to the workforce.

Q: What other government resources or policies would you consider for families that are struggling with keeping costs, especially child care, under control?

A: At every stage of life, children need quality supervision. Child care could and services could possibly be scaled by age to help those with younger children.

Q: Which mental health supports are needed most in your district and how will you work to increase access to families that need them?

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A: Children are still feeling the effects of covid19. More mental help professionals need to be available at home, in schools, and through telehealth to help address this.

Q: Would you support the creation of a refundable State Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)? Why/why not?

A: Yes - this helps incentivize work and gives help to those that need it.

Q: What would you do, if elected, to expand the access to affordable broadband internet?

A: This is very important because of the limited access in rural areas. I have and will support additional resources to fix this problem