



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? House District 185

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

A: Education is the fundamental area of need if we want to thrive in the Commonwealth. I believe the benefits of allocation is priceless and when determining the funds, equity and equality should be taken in consideration.

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: Extremely important. Access and affordability should go hand in hand.

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: Introduce legislation that will provide loan forgiveness for education, access to needed resources for small businesses.

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

A: Again, access and affordability are my focus. Any grant, legislation that supports this I believe would be aligned with my perspective.

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: Trauma informed services, programs. Continue to share Information and increase the modes of information sharing outlets.

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

A: Yes. Simply put, families need help.

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

A: I would continue to advocate for affordability.