

State Early Childhood Policy Technical Assistance Network

Resources and Upcoming Activities

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Resources

- *7 Things Legislators Need to Know About School Readiness*
- *Compendium of Multi-State Early Childhood Initiatives*
- *Financing School Readiness - Annotated Bibliography*
- *School Readiness Template - Measures, Policies, and Budgeting*
- *Assessing School Readiness - Baselines and Benchmarks*



7 Things Legislators Need to Know About School Readiness

- 1. The Earliest Years Count*
- 2. Nature (as well as nurture) Matters*
- 3. School Readiness is Multidimensional*
- 4. School Unreadiness Costs*
- 5. Parents Work*
- 6. Quality Matters*
- 7. Investments Pay Off*



Financing School Readiness

- 1. Basic Health and Nutrition*
- 2. Health and Developmental Services to Meet Special Needs*
- 3. Parenting and Family Support Services*
- 4. Supports for Safe, Stable, Economically Viable Families*
- 5. Child Care (and)*
- 6. Enriched Pre-School*
- 7. Community Development and Safety*



Upcoming Activities

- 1. Kindergarten Assessment Workshop
(tentative - June)*
- 2. Financing Workshop (with BUILD)
(no time frame established)*
- 3. Child Welfare and School Readiness Publication
(April, workshop/presentation possible)*
- 4. Health Services and School Readiness Publication
(May, workshop/presentation possible)*



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