



Equitable access to basic needs and supports

Idea 40	Access to high-quality childcare and early childhood education
Proposal 40a	Invest in early childhood education
Description	Increase investments in early childhood education to ensure that all 0-5 year-old children have access to early learning. Increase investments in the well-being of children of all ages and ensure better salaries for teachers. Schools are struggling financially, but development and brain growth is critical from an early start.
How will the proposed action advance equitable health and well-being?	Social emotional learning builds resiliency and healthy coping mechanisms, beyond coping to survive.
Is there work we can build on?	
Who would have to act? Who would be key partners?	
A few high-level action steps	
Other comments or guidance	Facilitate personalized learning, tailored to the student and their family. Ensure children are safe in their educational environments. See differences as an opportunity for engagement and learning. Engage everyone's cultural identity so students see themselves in their learning. Incorporate intergenerational learning. Engage parents -- how can the system value the parent and caregiver? How can we address cultural divides that might prevent parents from engaging? There has to be a relationship between the primary care provider and the school.