



Dear Preschool Funding Now supporter,

Can you help us deliver ongoing funding for Universal Access to Early Childhood Education (ECE) for all four year olds?

Preschool education is the right of every child and sets the foundation for cognitive, physical, emotional, social and language development which benefits a child's learning potential for the rest of their life.

The Commonwealth government contributes preschool funding via a National Partnership Arrangement with the States and territories providing Universal Access to 15 hours of preschool education for all 4 year olds delivered by a qualified teacher. This funding will run out at the end of 2020 unless the Commonwealth Government commits to ongoing funding for Universal access.

As parents and educators, we are very concerned about the impact this loss of funding would have on our students and the local community, and the potential loss of jobs of teachers and educators.

It is time for the Australian Government to commit to ongoing funding to ensure all fouryear-old children have access to a quality preschool program in the year before full time school.

What you can do:

- Ask families and colleagues to sign the 10 postcards and return to the AEU in the reply-paid envelope by March 10 2020
- If you would like more postcards, please let us know by contacting Brooke bmott@aeufederal.org.au
- The postcards will be delivered to Prime Minister Scott Morrison early in 2020 to demonstrate that families, communities and the profession demand that the Morrison government remain committed to preschool children, families and the profession

Each post card represents the voice of a teacher, educator or parents of our youngest learners. Please get as many signed as possible! Together we can make a difference.

Thank you for your support

Correna Haythorpe AEU Federal President