Follow the story of Jack, who spent his earliest years in high quality child care.

What if all low-income children in New York had access to high quality child care?

Long-term Budget Savings

How High Quality Child Care

Jack’s parents receive a child care subsidy enabling them to work. Jack, his family and New York all benefit when he has access to high quality child care.

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In-grade retention would be reduced by 32%.

Jack is prepared to meet grade level expectations and is not held back.

Jack does not need special education services.

Special education placement would be reduced by 30%.

Prison costs would drop. Studies show that 10% of male high school drop-outs wind up in prison.

The high school graduation rate would increase by 7.3%.

12th graders statewide: Savings of $874 million over 10 years

12th graders statewide will earn $2.4 billion more over a lifetime

1st graders statewide: Savings of $37.8 million per year

Savings of $85.920 over 10 years

Lifetime earnings of over $385.880 more than high school dropouts

Lifetime earnings of over $1.5 billion more than high school dropouts

Savings of $18.7 million per year

Earnings of over $1.3 million more than a high school dropout

Savings of $60,000 per year

Savings of more than $19.1 million in welfare over the next generation

Savings of $47.340 over 5 years

With a college degree, Jack supports his family and avoids welfare.

As more of Jack’s classmates earn college degrees, it is less likely they will need welfare assistance.

More high school graduates produce more college graduates.

Jack graduates from college.

Because Jack graduates from high school, he is less likely to engage in crime. Jack does not go to jail.

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New York Children

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Savings of $185.920 over 10 years

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