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New Report Details Years of Pre-K Cuts, Despite Available Funding & Big Economic Benefits

Makes the Case for Funding for Pre-K and Other Early Childhood Education Programs

Albany, NY - On Tuesday a coalition of early childhood education providers, parents, policy and advocacy groups will release a new report entitled Early Childhood Education: Frozen Funding Leads to Cracks in the Foundation. The report details how funding for the Universal Pre-Kindergarten grant has been reduced drastically since 2007, despite being proven to increase the likelihood of a child going to college, earning higher income, and avoiding incarceration.

The report makes the case for adding funding for pre-kindergarten and other early childhood education programs in the 2012-13 state budget.

Who: Early childhood education advocates including Winning Beginning NY, Early Care and Learning Council, Schuyler Center for Analysis and Advocacy, New York State Association for the Education of Young Children, Center for Children’s Initiatives, Alliance for Quality Education, Citizen Action of New York

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Where: LCA Press Room (Room 130), Legislative Office Building, Albany