

Planning for the Polls

CONSIDERATIONS FOR FAMILY CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

Every election is determined by the people who show up. -Larry J. Sabato

Our rights as citizens are inherently tied to our responsibility to vote. Moreover, as engaged members of the early childhood community we have a duty to vote in the best interest of young children all across our great country. This means we need to be mindful of and prepared for national, state, and local elections. The first step requires being registered to vote, the second is determining when and how to vote, and the third, and oftentimes the most daunting, is researching the candidates so you know how you will cast your ballot. Our work is not done once we know who we plan to vote for, we must also think about educating and empowering staff and families to vote as well.

We at the McCormick Center for Early Childhood Leadership recognize that many factors may make this election cycle more difficult to navigate, but no less important. If you are a family child care provider, the following document, [Planning for the Polls: Voting Resource for Family Child Care Providers](#), may be helpful as you prepare for this election season.

If you are interested in learning more about virtual and in-person professional development opportunities for family child care providers [contact](#) the McCormick Center.

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