Public Policy Priorities 2024

At Think Small our policy work is driven by what **young children need to thrive**.

With this at the center, we will lead and support efforts to improve access to quality early childhood programs around the state, starting with children who face the most barriers to access. Policies we will support include:

→ Fully fund early learning scholarships for eligible children birth to five.
→ Increase the number of financially sustainable Parent Aware rated programs.
→ Increase the number of qualified early childhood educators.
→ Collect and use early childhood data to inform stakeholders and policy decision.

A strong, equitable child-care and early learning system not only benefits children, families, and early educators, but also keeps parents in the workforce, increases racial equity, and strengthens the economy for everyone.