



To the Honourable Dwight Duncan, Ontario Finance Minister:

High quality, affordable child care is good for children and essential for parents to work, go to school or contribute to the community. Unfortunately, Ontario is falling behind other provinces – like Quebec and Manitoba. Both provinces are making significant, long-term investments to make child care more affordable and available.

Ontario needs to take the same first steps – we call on the Province of Ontario to:

1. Cap parent fees to make child care affordable.
2. Directly fund child care centres to provide stability in funding.
3. Significantly increase the salaries of child care staff, including pay equity.
4. Commit to long-term funding for more child care spaces.

The Ontario Government must make a significant long-term investment in early learning and child care in the 2009 Budget.

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