

KEEPING THE PROMISE TO KANSAS KIDS.

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Help us protect funding for early childhood programs in Kansas

Legislators will soon be considering budget cuts that stand to devastate some of the most successful early childhood programs in Kansas. That's why, on April 22 and 23, we'll be hosting a statewide bus tour to tell the story of early childhood. During the tour, we'll promote just how important early childhood education is and show the impact that programs — like Parents As Teachers, Smart Start and Early Head Start — have on our children and on our local communities.

But, we need your help to show legislators and the media just how critical early childhood education is! Here's how you can help:

■ **Join us at the Topeka bus stop.** T-shirts, stickers and signs will be provided on a first come, first serve basis so you can show your support. Each rally will include guest speakers — from throughout the state and from your local community — who will talk briefly about the statistics on how early education affects school readiness, our future workforce, crime reduction, and military readiness.

■ **Tell your friends and neighbors.** Everyone who supports early childhood education is welcome to attend! So, bring your kids along ... and tell your friends, neighbors, co-workers and family members to join you at one of the bus stops. Together, we can protect funding for early childhood education and show our support for investing in the future of Kansas — our next generation.

TOPEKA RALLY:

Thursday, April 22 at 9 a.m.

Kansas Statehouse Lawn (SW Corner)

300 SW 10th Avenue

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Get on board with the Kansas Promise Tour to protect community-based early childhood programs, including:

Autism Diagnosis Program
Children's Mental Health Initiative
Child Care Quality Initiative
Child Care Services
Child Welfare Community Services
Early Childhood Block Grants
Early Head Start
Family-Centered System of Care
Family Preservation
Four-Year-Old-At-Risk Program
Head Start
Healthy Families
HealthWave
Immunization Outreach
Newborn Hearing Aid Loaner Program
Newborn Screening
Parents As Teachers
Pre-K
SIDS Network
Smart Start Kansas
Tiny-k

The bus tour is a joint effort of:

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KANSAS COALITION FOR SCHOOL READINESS
Planting the Seeds for Success

TOPEKA

April 22, 9 a.m.
Kansas Statehouse
300 SW 10th Ave.

LEAWOOD

April 22, Noon
US Toy Company
2008 W. 103rd Terrace

PITTSBURG

April 22, 4 p.m.
PSU Veterans Memorial
1090 S. Rouse

WICHITA

April 23, 9 a.m.
TOP Center North
2330 N. Opportunity Dr.

HUTCHINSON

April 23, 11 a.m.
HCC Sports Arena
E. 11th & N. Cleveland

SALINA

April 23, 2:30 p.m.
Caldwell Plaza
300 W. Ash

JUNCTION CITY

April 23, 4:30 p.m.
Heritage Park
6th Ave. & Washington