

The Honorable Robert Aderholt
Chairman

U.S. House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and
Related Agencies
266 Cannon House Office Building
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member

U.S. House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and
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Dear Chairman Aderholt and Ranking Member DeLauro:

As you work to draft the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 appropriations bill, we request that you provide robust funding for the Child Care Access Means Parents in School (CCAMPIS) program. The CCAMPIS program helps to meet the urgent needs of student parents enrolled in higher education, working to attain a college degree or workforce training to provide economic security for themselves and for their children.

Approximately 26 percent of college students, 4.8 million in total, have dependent children. Student parents struggle to pay for child care services on top of tuition, fees, and other costs. Unfortunately, most students are not able to access existing child care programs, their options are often unaffordable, and child care centers located on campus are rare or have substantial wait lists. To help address these challenges, the CCAMPIS program supports campus-based child care programs primarily serving the needs of low-income students. Data collected from individual institutions shows that CCAMPIS helped to double and even triple student parents' degree-attainment rates.

The current levels of funding for CCAMPIS are only able to meet a tiny fraction of student demand for affordable and high-quality on-campus child care. This new investment provides an opportunity to continue to address some of the vast unmet demand for on-campus child care from millions of students who are parents.

We urge you to prioritize funding for the CCAMPIS program as part of the FY 2025 appropriations measure. Providing adequate child care resources to student parents will help to improve both college completion and affordability. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
XX Member of Congress