

Dear Senators,

I am writing today to express my support for SB8. Expanding Pre-K for all Alaskan children gives families more options for affordable, high quality early education. With increased access to early education programs more of our children have a sound foundation when they start Kindergarten. At this time there is a great discrepancy between young children who have access to pre-K and those who don't. This bill would make it possible for all children to have the same opportunities. If we want Alaska's public education students to thrive we must start with the youngest. The time to invest in early childhood development is more important than ever.

Thank you for your time, and I hope you do what is best for Alaskans and our children by giving support for SB8.

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