

To Whom It May Concern:

The early stages of childhood are the most fundamental areas of growth and learning for a child. It is in these years that they are exposed to new experiences, and more importantly child teacher interactions. The bond between the child and teacher in a daycare setting is fun, loving, and exploratory. Ideally the goal is to make learning fun and exciting so that when the child enters elementary school, they are just as excited and eager to learn. Unfortunately daycare workers are not compensated enough for how important their job truly is.

I have been working in a childcare setting since I was 16. I am now a 25 year old college graduate who still chooses to pursue a career in early childhood education. I love working with children and hope to continue working with them. Honestly if I was offered more financial stability, I would picture myself in this career until retirement. Unfortunately this career holds no promise of financial stability. Additionally the glory of being a college graduate yields student loans that a majority of my paycheck is devoted to.

Childcare workers devote their life to children they care for, and deserve to be compensated appropriately for the time inside and outside their classroom.

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