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We Believe Every Child Should Have Access to High-Quality Early Education

A family's income should never be a barrier to education



"Eradicating the implications of poverty and the educational, racial, and wealth disparities facing people of color begins in places like Women's League. The research is clear: Quality early education reaps immediate, high-impact, long-term benefits for children."

— KAREN LOTT
Former Executive Director

Why Invest in Quality Early Education?

- A child's brain reaches 90% of its physical volume by age five. Millions of new neural connections occur every second in those five years.
- Achievement gains due to attending preschool increase over time.
- Preschool particularly benefits children from low-income families of color. Access to pre-K could shrink the Black-white school readiness gap by nearly 20% and the Latino-white school readiness gap by almost 36%.
- Long-term benefits of preschool include better overall health, employment in skilled positions, higher academic achievement and incomes, and reduced mental illness, substance abuse, and teen pregnancy.

Women's League: A Legacy of Excellence

MORE THAN A CENTURY OF SERVING HARTFORD'S CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

- Founded in 1917 by African American ministers' wives who aimed to help Hartford's immigrant women gain job skills. In the 1940s, the mission shifted exclusively to early childhood education.

THE LARGEST SINGLE SITE EARLY EDUCATION CENTER IN GREATER HARTFORD

- More than 230 infants and children fill our 17 vibrant classrooms with the joys of learning and play.
- Fully accredited by NAEYC, the "gold standard"

WE FOCUS ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING ARTS, AND MATH (STEAM)

- Because STEM careers offer more opportunities, job security, and higher pay, yet Black and Hispanic workers are significantly underrepresented in STEM jobs.