



# EARLY CHILDHOOD DAY AT THE LEGISLATURE

March 11, 2026

## Agenda

8:00 am - 1:30 pm	Vendor Displays
8:00 - 9:00 am	Registration
9:00 - 9:20 am	Welcoming Comments
9:20 - 9:30 am	Break
9:30 - 10:30 am	Issue Session A
10:30 - 10:40 am	Break
10:40 - 11:40 am	Issue Session B
11:45 am - 12:50 pm	Constituent/Legislator lunch
12:50 - 1:00 pm	Travel to State House
1:00 - 1:20 pm	House of Representatives Welcome
1:20 - 1:30 pm	Break
1:30 - 2:30 pm	Afternoon Workshops

## Morning Options at the Capitol Plaza Hotel

### Issue Session A

- CACFP Sponsor Funding: Improve Food Access in ECE Settings, *Hunger Free VT*
- ECE Workforce: Establishing Early Childhood Education as a Profession, *VTAEYC*
- Fingerprinting: Streamline and Modernize Background Checks, *YMCAs/Head Start Assoc.*
- Child Protection: Close the AoE Background Check Loophole, *Prevent Child Abuse VT*
- Fair Share for Vermont: Raising State Revenue, *Fund Vermont's Future/Public Assets Inst.*
- Emergency Shelter: Protect Access for Unsheltered Families, *ACLU*
- Children's Integrated Services: Funding the CIS System and SAG, *Alliance*
- FY27 State Budget: Supporting Core Services, *Alliance*

### Issue Session B

- Early Childhood Education: Building on Our Child Care Progress, *LGKAN/VTAEYC*
- 3SquaresVT Funding: Ensure Access for Vermont Families, *Hunger Free VT*
- Federal Funding Cuts: Supporting Responses to Federal Funding Reductions, *Alliance*
- Parent Child Center Network: Supporting Families in Uncertain Times, *PCCN*
- Access to Doula Coverage for Medicaid Births: Implement Act 50 (S.53), *Doula Assoc. of VT*
- Information and Referral: Ensuring a Strong, Sustainable Vermont 211, *United Ways of VT*
- Reach Up: Ending Child Poverty is a Policy Choice, *Voices for Vermont's Children*

*More information on the reverse side.*



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## Afternoon Options at the Capitol Plaza Hotel and the State House

- Advocacy Seminar: Advocacy 101 – The Building Blocks (for newer advocates), *Alliance*
- Advocacy Seminar: Advocacy 102 – The Process in Action (for more experienced advocates), *Alliance*
- Why Recognition Matters: The ECE Profession Bill and Career Supports, *VTAEYC*
- Understanding VT's Child Care Landscape: Cost of Care and Supply/Demand Reports, *First Children's Finance*
- Creating a Food Secure Future for All Vermont's Children by 2035, *Hunger Free VT*
- Paid Leave: Present and Future, *Paid Leave Coalition*
- If You Build It: Navigating Child Care Construction Project Management, *VCLF*