



What is the San Francisco Office of Early Care and Education (OECE)?

The City of San Francisco is home to over 50,000 children under the age of five. These young children are in need of nurturing care and educational experiences that will give them the best start to life.

San Francisco is recognized as a leader in early care and education (ECE). The City continues to develop supports and resources for children 0-5 and their families throughout San Francisco.

About OECE

In 2013, Mayor Ed Lee created the San Francisco Office of Early Care and Education (OECE).

OECE organizes funding (local, state and federal), coordinates resources, administers and supports programs to:

- **Improve access** to high quality care and education for children 0-5.
- **Address the needs** of early care and education workers.
- **Build the capacity** of the early care and education system.

Programs administered by OECE include:

- **Early Learning Scholarship:** provides financial assistance to pay for quality ECE to eligible San Francisco families with children 0-5 years old. More than 320 ECE Centers and Family Child Care Homes throughout San Francisco have qualified to participate in this program.
- **Early Learning SF:** an easy-to-use, mobile-friendly website that helps connect families to quality ECE.
- **Preschool for All Tuition Credit (PFA) Program:** offers universal access to preschool for all 4-year-old children living in San Francisco through reduced cost preschool or tuition rebates.

The OECE Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) created by ordinance in 2015 with members appointed by the Mayor or Board of Supervisors, meets regularly to make recommendations to OECE on critical policy and planning issues.



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