Portage County FORWARD:

Early Learning & Care Coalition



Your care today builds Portage County's workforce of tomorrow

You're not just caring for childrenyou're nurturing and educating our future workforce.

Your dedication and expertise are indispensable to our community's growth and well-being.

We invite you to join forces with other providers and stakeholders to champion high-quality early education to ensure a brighter future for our children and county.



The critical role of early education

Your impact extends far beyond daily care.

Early childhood education lays the foundation for lifelong learning, social skills and future career success. With 58% of Portage County children over 5 in child care, your influence on our community's future is profound.

A future with accessible and quality early childhood learning

Imagine a Portage County where every child enters school ready to learn. Your work today shapes individual lives and our entire community's economic and social future.

By providing quality care and education, you create a skilled and adaptable workforce for tomorrow.

Steps to maximize your impact

 Engage in ongoing professional development to enhance your skills.

- Collaborate with other providers to share best practices and resources.
- Partner with local schools to ensure smooth transitions for children.
- Join the Portage County FORWARD: Early Learning & Care Coalition to strengthen your advocacy efforts.

Your voice matters

As a child care provider, you're essential in shaping early childhood education policies. Join us in advocating for better support, resources and recognition for your crucial work.

Together, we can ensure that Portage County's children—and our community—thrive.

Get involved today!

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