



Prioritizing Parent Education:

The Minnesota Association for Family and Early Education (MNAFEE) is a non-profit association promoting parent education, Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE), and early childhood programming in public schools. Since 2003, MNAFEE has served as Minnesota's leader in professional development and advocacy for teachers in parent education and early childhood education to ensure quality public school programming. MNAFEE leads advocacy for Minnesota's parent education and early childhood programming in public schools because children thrive when their parents and earliest teachers are supported.

Parent Education is embedded in every type of delivery system. We are deeply committed to ensuring parent education is taught by licensed parent educators as an essential component of early childhood programs. MNAFEE supports a highly qualified, appropriately licensed teaching staff, with pathways to licensure and development of individuals who want to enter the teaching profession.

ECFE is a universal access, multi-generational program which provides early education and parent education to families with children birth to kindergarten and, where funds are sufficient, to grade 3. MNAFEE supports ECFE partnering and collaborating with programs to help support and assist families.

2024 Legislative Focus:

MNAFEE Supports Sustainable Funding

- Stable and consistent funding for Early Child Family Education (ECFE) Home Visiting by linking the home visiting formula to the ECFE formula.
- Increasing school readiness funding and streamline/simplify preschool funding streams
- Developing reflective consultation mental health support for Early Childhood staff in every district

Thoughtful Policy

- Clarify statutes that address administrative leadership of early education programs and teacher development and evaluation.

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