

# TEACH

Early Childhood® Florida  
Scholarship Program

## IMPACT REPORT

2024-25

**\$18.2M**

invested in TEACH  
Scholarships



**6,494**

total scholars including



**1,143** high school, career,  
and tech students

### COMPENSATION

**8%**

average increase  
in TEACH scholars'  
wages

### EDUCATION

**25,496**

credit hours  
taken

### RETENTION

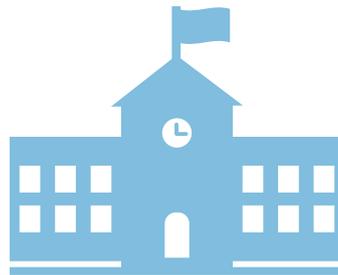
**95%**

retention rate for  
TEACH workforce  
(National Avg. = 60-70%)

**2,280** participating programs

*including*

Early Learning Programs, Family  
Child Care Homes, Faith-Based  
Centers, and Public Schools



**3.49**

average GPA



**640,796**  
children benefiting since 1998





# THANK YOU, LEGISLATORS, FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF TEACH

Research shows that early learning experiences are essential for healthy brain development. Evidence also demonstrates that investing in high-quality, meaningful early experiences is far more effective than trying to address behavioral or academic challenges later in a child's education. TEACH Florida supports these goals by ensuring the state's early learning workforce has access to advanced training, professional learning opportunities, affordable college education, and increased compensation for their work. These supports strengthen participating educators' commitment to their careers, as well as to the children and families they serve.



TEACH made it possible for me to earn my degree while running my family child care home. Thanks to this support, I achieved Gold Seal accreditation for my program and am excited to pursue my Master's next fall.

-Tabree Fort  
(TEACH Florida Scholar)



Since 1998, TEACH Florida has awarded **77,546** scholarships to **51,486** scholars!



Economists estimate a **return of \$4-\$16 for every \$1 spent** on Early Childhood Education

**SCAN HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

**94%** of employers see an increase in knowledge and skills for their TEACH scholars



*Citations for supporting research are available upon request.*