

Early childhood education leaders take action for acceptance, inclusion and belonging

The Early Care and Education Consortium (ECEC) commits to using combined resources to formally incorporate diversity, equity and inclusion into programs

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WASHINGTON, June 2, 2020 /PRNewswire/ -- Today the Early Care and Education Consortium (ECEC) issued a joint letter confirming that the nation's largest child care providers have committed to formally incorporate diversity, equity and inclusion into their programs:

In a year of historic and unprecedented events—the devastating COVID-19 pandemic and ensuing economic fallout—we are facing yet another crisis as a country and community: Racial injustice, blatant discrimination and violations of basic human rights.

The tragic deaths of people of color including George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery and Breonna Taylor have prompted an eruption of outrage, protests and violence across the country. In this stressful and precarious environment, we are witnessing an outpouring of longstanding pain and suffering.

We truly believe that the child care sector can be a critical piece of affecting much-needed change in this country. We must ensure that the voice of every child, family and employee is heard and valued. Children are a reflection of who we are, and we take our role as caregivers and nurturers of the nation's future very seriously.

unified collective voice for providers of high-quality programs and services that support families and children from diverse cultural and socio-economic backgrounds. ECEC advocates for strong federal and state policies that bring quality to scale.

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