

WHAT THE CANDIDATES ARE SAYING ABOUT CHILD CARE

What **Democratic Presidential Nominee Kamala Harris** and **Republican Presidential Nominee Donald Trump** have said about child care and early learning while in office:

REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE **DONALD TRUMP**

“I have also overseen historic funding increases for high-quality child care, enabling 17 States to serve more children, many of which have reduced or eliminated their waitlists altogether. And I sent the Congress a plan with a vision to further expand access to high-quality childcare and urge you to act immediately.” — [State of the Union, 2020](#)

“My administration is also focused on expanding access to high-quality, affordable childcare. Last year, I was proud to sign into law the largest ever increase in Child Care Development Block Grants to States. The States understand that very well. A lot of Governors come up to me and they thank me for that” — [Remarks at the White House Summit on Child Care and Paid Leave, 2019](#)

DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE **KAMALA HARRIS**

“This is a critical issue for almost every family in our country — and the issue, of course, being the need for affordable childcare. And, frankly, in too many places in our country, it’s just too expensive.” — [Remarks by Vice President Harris in Press Call on Affordable Child Care, 2023](#)

“Unfortunately, childcare, again, remains too expensive for too many families in our nation. In some places, childcare can cost almost \$20,000 per child per year. Low-income families often spend one third — one third of their yearly income on childcare, more than they spend on their rent or mortgage. No family should have to choose between high quality care for their child or to give up their career or put food on the table.” — [Remarks by Vice President Harris in Press Call on Affordable Child Care, 2023](#)



CONSISTENTLY DELIVERING FOR LA PARENTS & FAMILIES

REPRESENTATIVE JULIAN LETLOW



Since 2021, Rep. Letlow has voted against legislation that helped working families access child care including:

The CHIPS and Science Act which [required](#) employers seeking Commerce Department grants to guarantee affordable, quality child care.



Representative Julia Letlow has supported and led legislation that would reduce the cost of child care for Louisiana's working families, including:

H.R. 6156: Child Care Small Business Insight and Improvement Act of 2023, *Co-Sponsor*

\$462
MILLION

Since 2023, Rep. Letlow has supported Appropriations bills which included more than \$462 million in assistance to child care and programs for Louisiana families.

REPRESENTATIVE LETLOW ON THE NEED TO SUPPORT CHILD CARE FOR WORKING FAMILIES



In 2023, Rep. Letlow introduced the **Child Care Small Business Insight and Improvement Act of 2023**, noting the importance of access to quality and affordable child care. “Quality access to affordable child care is essential for working parents across our nation. As a single mom, I see firsthand how important child care is in order for women to return to the workforce after having children. I’m proud to help introduce this bipartisan legislation so those parents can focus on going to work each day to provide for their families, and ensure child care providers have the resources needed to be successful and help move our economy forward.”



In 2023, Rep. Letlow posted on Twitter about her work alongside Rep. Landsman to introduce the **Child Care Small Business Insight and Improvement Act**, noting child care providers are necessary to move the economy forward. “Proud to work with [Rep. Greg Landsman] on this critical legislation to ensure child care providers have the resources needed to be successful and help move our economy forward. Quality access to affordable child care is essential for working parents across our nation.”



In 2021, Rep. Letlow posted on Twitter about the tie between education and uplifting her district. “Whether it’s early childhood education, college preparation, trade schools, or anything in between – I’ve always believed education is a catalyst to lift our region out of poverty.”