

Subject Early childhood family education

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Overview

School districts that provide community education may choose to establish early childhood family education (ECFE) programs for children from birth to kindergarten, their parents, and for expectant parents. ECFE programs are intended to promote children's learning and development through parent education and are provided by teachers who are licensed in parent and family education or early childhood education. ECFE programs are funded through state aid, local levy, and participant fees.

This bill transfers up to two percent of each school district's ECFE aid to the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) to fund two staff positions and the operational expenses needed to provide support and guidance to ECFE programs. The bill requires that each of the two staff members holds a teaching license in parent and family education or early childhood education.

Summary

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1	Early childhood family education aid.
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Provides that up to two percent of each district's ECFE aid for the prior year is transferred to MDE to fund two full-time equivalent staff and operational expenses to provide support to ECFE programs. Each staff member must be licensed as a teacher of parent and family education or early childhood education.

Makes the section effective for revenue for fiscal year 2023 and later.