

Dear candidate,

Congratulations on your successful nomination. As you may know, child care is emerging as an important issue for many British Columbian voters. The Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC invites you to answer the following two questions and send your replies to info@cccabc.bc.ca.

We will then post all replies on our web site so that voters in your area will be able to determine your commitment to child care.

1. Thousands of low and moderate income families in BC cannot afford quality, licensed child care for their children. Many of these parents have no choice but to place their children in mediocre, even unsafe care because of the cost.
What will you do to ensure that child care is affordable for ALL children and families in British Columbia?
2. Although a multi-lateral agreement is currently providing federal dollars to provinces/territories, accountability measures are weak and federal funds are in fact being used to replace rather than augment provincial funding. What leadership will you and your party provide to the taxpayers of Canada to ensure that those dollars are being spent to enhance a pan-Canadian child care system?

Thank you for taking the time to answer these questions.

The children of Canada are counting on responsible adults to do the right thing. They have already waited long enough!

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