



Vote YES on HB193 Full-Day Kindergarten

- For every \$1 spent on early interventions for young children, we can save up to \$12 in future public spending.
- Full-day kindergarten (FDK) is a time-tested, evidence-based early learning practice that can give children from all backgrounds a strong and equitable start in school.
- Utah students make 2x to 4x the progress their half-day peers make.
- The national average for FDK participation is 82%. Less than one-third (30%) of Utah kindergartners currently participate in FDK.

Utah's low FDK participation rate is due to limited and inequitable access. Most schools are only able to offer FDK to the most at-risk students, leaving out 1000s of kids who could benefit.

FIVE REASONS WHY



- 1. Kids in FDK make amazing learning gains.*
- 2. FDK better prepares students for first grade.*
- 3. FDK is an important early learning investment that saves time and money down the road.*
- 4. FDK provides families with a full day of high-quality learning in a safe environment.*
- 5. All children deserve the chance to make a full year of progress in kindergarten!*

HB193: How It Works

- All kindergarten attendance in Utah will remain optional for all families.
- No child will be forced to attend full-day kindergarten; half-day options will still be available to families who are interested.
- A 3-year roll out of funding to give schools time to address: facility and classroom space issues, teacher recruitment, and professional development needs.
- After 3 years, funding for full-day kindergarten will shift from the Optional Enhanced Kindergarten (OEK) program to the Weighted Pupil Unit (WPU); the OEK program will then be dissolved.

VOTE YES!



Utah Full-Day Kindergarten Now! Coalition

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