



**NORTH CAROLINA
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November Coalition Meeting

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Goals for the Webinar

- Highlight election results and advocacy opportunities
- Showcase the 2021 policy agenda for the NC Early Education Coalition and Think Babies™ NC
- Presentation on the early childhood workforce by Mary Martin, Child Care Services Association





North Carolina Election Results

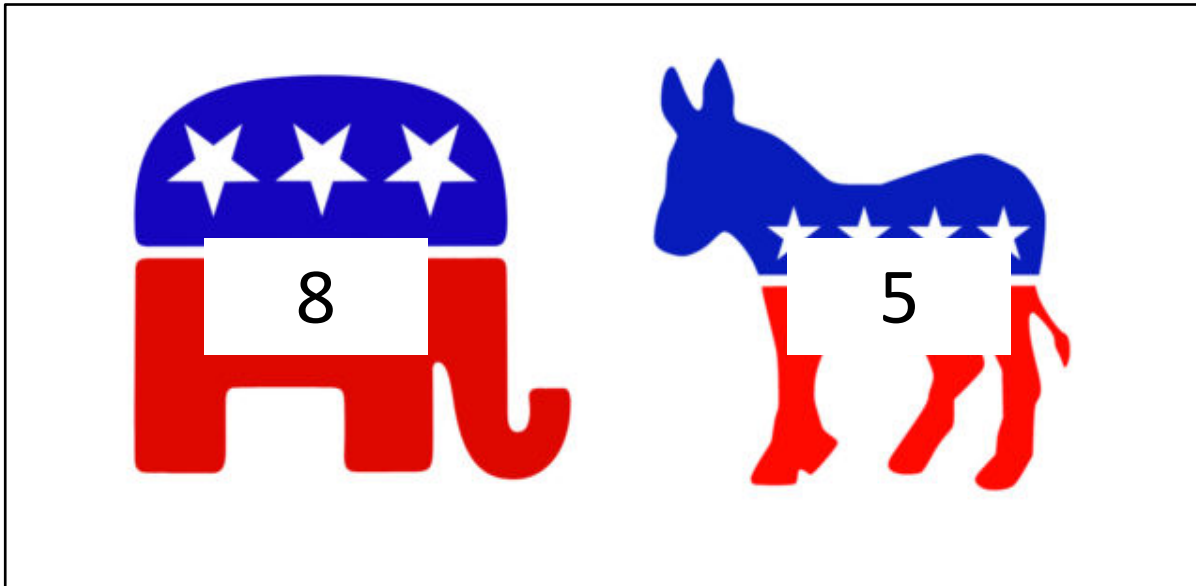
Election Results North Carolina



- President-Elect: Joe Biden (D)
- U.S. Congress
 - Senate – Sen. Thom Tillis (R)
 - House – 3 new members
- Governor Roy Cooper (D)
- Lt. Governor Mark Robinson (R)
- Superintendent of Public Instruction
 - Catherine Truitt (R)
- NC General Assembly

Election Results – NC U.S. Congress

NC - U.S. House of Representatives



Nationally: Divided Government at this time

- House remains Democratic
- Senate still favor Republican – 2 run off races in Georgia

Summary for NC

US Senate

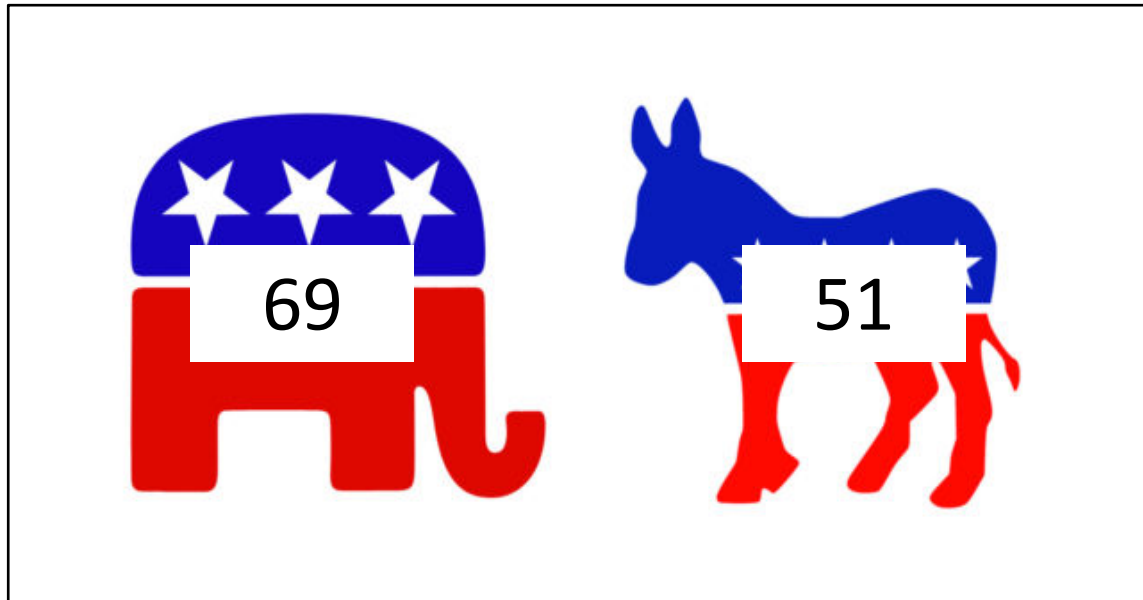
- **Senator Thom Tillis (R)** re-elected

US. House

- 8 Republican/5 Democrats
- 3 New Members
 - **Rep. Deborah Ross (D)**, District #2, Wake
 - **Rep. Kathy Manning (D)**, District #6, Forsyth, Guilford
 - **Rep. Madison Cawthorne (R)**, District 11, 17 western Counties

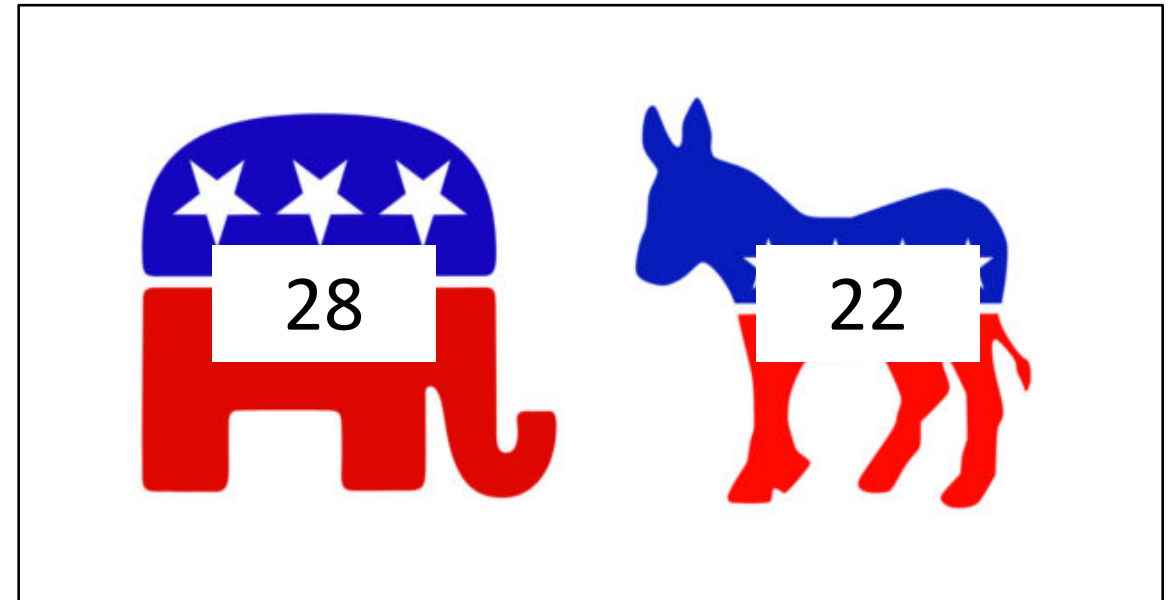
Election Results – NC General Assembly

House



24 new legislators, 18 R and 6 D

Senate



12 new legislators, 8 R and 4 D

NC General Assembly New Members

**See Handout*

House

HD 3 (Craven) – Steve Tyson, R
HD 7 (Franklin, Nash) – Matthew Winslow, R
HD 9 (Pitt) – Brian Farkas, D
HD 19 (New Hanover, Brunswick) – Charlie Miller, R
HD 24 (Wilson) – Linda Cooper-Suggs, D
(appointed 7/27/20, won reelection)
HD 37 (Wake) – Erin Pare, R
HD 38 (Wake) – Abe Jones, D
HD 43 (Cumberland) – Diane Wheatley, R
HD 53 (Harnett) – Howard Penny, Jr., R
(appointed 9/8/20, won reelection)
HD 63 (Alamance) – Ricky Hurtado, D
HD 66 (Richmond, Montgomery, Stanly) – Ben Moss, R
HD 68 (Union) – David Willis, R

HD 72 (Forsyth) – Amber Baker, D
HD 74 (Forsyth) – Jeff Zenger, R
HD 80 (Davidson) – Sam Watford, R
HD 85 (Avery, Mitchell, McDowell) – Dudley Greene, R
HD 92 (Mecklenburg) – Terry Brown, D
HD 93 (Ashe, Watauga) – Ray Pickett, R
HD 95 (Iredell) – Grey Mills, R
HD 98 (Mecklenburg) – John R. Bradford III, R
HD 117 (Henderson) – Timothy Moffitt, R
HD 118 (Haywood, Madison, Yancey) – Mark Pless, R
HD 119 (Swain, Jackson, Haywood) – Mike Clampitt, R
HD 120 (Cherokee, Macon, Clay, Graham) – Karl Gillespie, R

Senate

SD 3 (Vance, Warren, Northampton, Bertie, Martin, Beaufort) – Ernestine Byrd Bazemore, D
SD 6 (Jones, Onslow) – Michael Lazzarra, R
SD 9 (New Hanover) – Michael Lee, R
SD 11 (Johnston, Nash) – Lisa Stone Barnes, R
SD 18 (Franklin, Wake) – Sarah Crawford, D
SD 24 (Alamance, Guilford) – Amy Galey, R
SD 26 (Guilford, Randolph) – Dave Craven, R
(appointed 7/17/20, won reelection)
SD 29 (Montgomery, Davidson) – Steve Jarvis, R
SD 39 (Mecklenburg) – DeAndrea Salvador, D
SD 42 (Catawba, Alexander) – Dean Proctor, R
(appointed 8/10/20, won reelection)
SD 49 (Buncombe) – Julie Mayfield, D
SD 50 (Cherokee, Clay, Macon, Jackson, Haywood, Swain, Graham) – Kevin Corbin, R

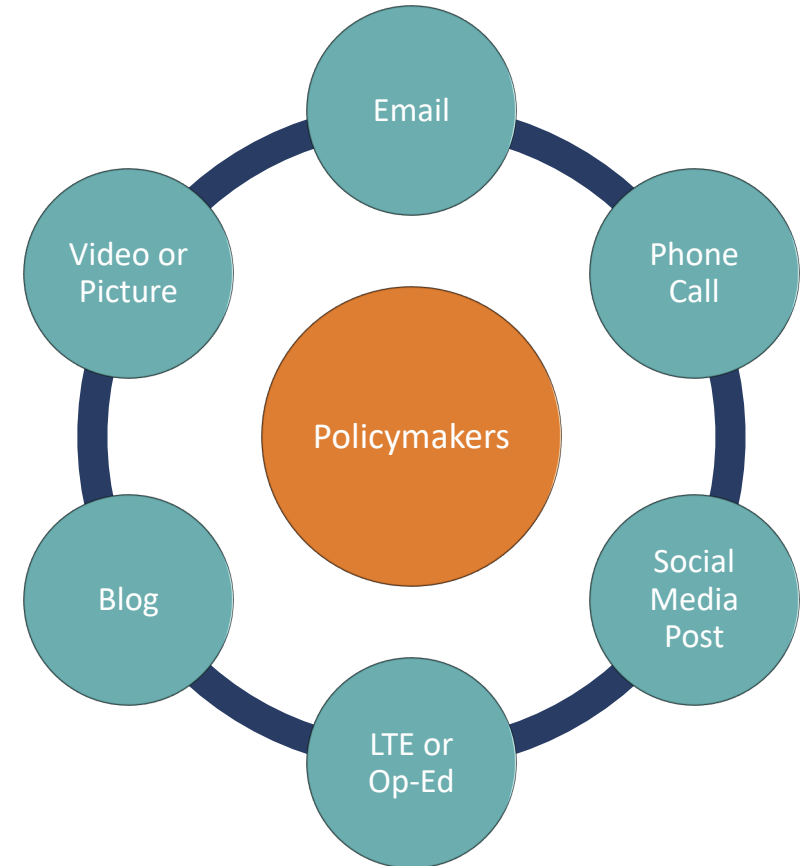
What Can You Do Now?

- Get to know your legislators!
 - Campaign websites
 - Social media
 - Subscribe to emails and newsletters
- Build a relationship
 - Introduce yourself (new sample email template available)
 - Share resources
 - Turn them into champions for children and families
 - Use our toolkits to help:
 - ncearlyeducationcoalition.org/resources



Keep the Momentum Going

- Share your story! Tell policymakers what is happening on the ground in your community
 - Social media
 - Videos and pictures
 - Letter to the Editor, Op-Ed, blog, newsletter
 - Share it with us on our [Action Center](#)
 - Use our toolkits and let us know how we can help!
- Keep the pressure on Congress for more federal child care relief funding
- #SaveChildCare Wednesday – tomorrow, Nov. 18th
 - [Click here for a messaging toolkit](#)





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2021 Policy Agenda



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2021 Legislative Session Preview

- Divided Government Continues
 - Governor Roy Cooper (D)
 - NCGA Republican majority in both House and Senate
 - Who will be the early childhood champions?
- Key Issues
 - COVID-19?
 - Medicaid expansion?
 - Budget crisis looming – impact on the 2021/22 budget?
 - Leandro Court Order State Plan Implementation?
- 2021 is Long Session – starts January 13, 2021
 - Both Policy (bills) and Budget are likely

NC Early Education Coalition Activities

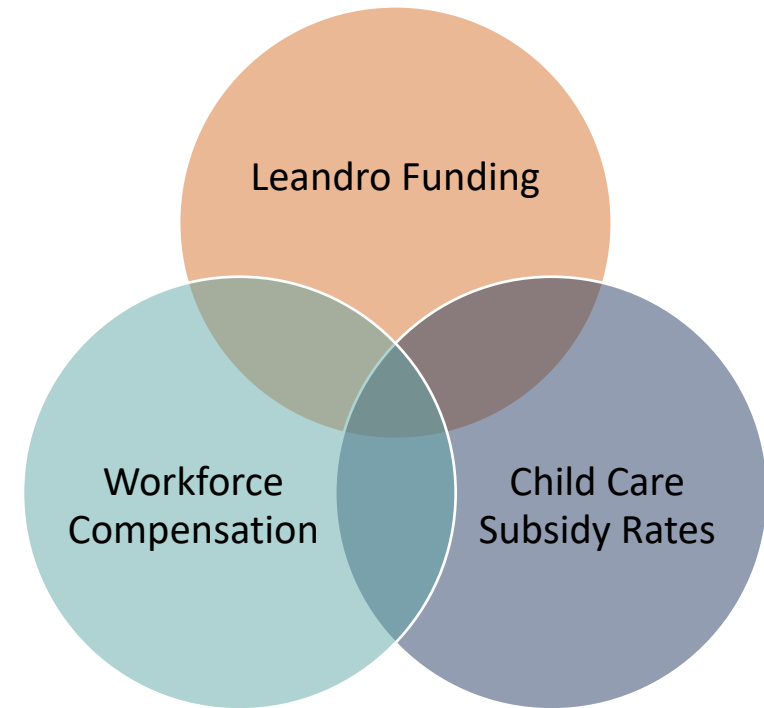
- Reach out to all legislators
- Legislative briefing on ECE and Think Babies priorities
- New toolkit for 2021
- New lobbying team

NC Early Education Coalition Policy Priorities

COVID-19 Child Care Crisis Attention

- Federal child care relief urgently needed!
- Stabilize current supply – concerned about vacancy rates impact
- Workforce support to attract and retain qualified early educators
- Parents – how to afford child care?
- Capacity going forward in 2021?
 - Analyze county level by ages and types of programs
 - Build supply up in areas with acute shortages

Top Line – Child Care is Essential! Maintain current level funding for all early childhood programs!



Think Babies™ NC Policy Priorities At a Glance



Healthy Beginnings

Closing the Coverage Gap

Workplace Pregnancy
Accommodations

Medicaid Improvements

Early Intervention Eligibility -
Developmental Delays

Early Childhood Workforce
Mental Health Competencies

Supported Families

Paid Family Leave

Home Visiting/Parenting
Education

Earned Income Tax Credit

Paid Sick Leave

Early Learning

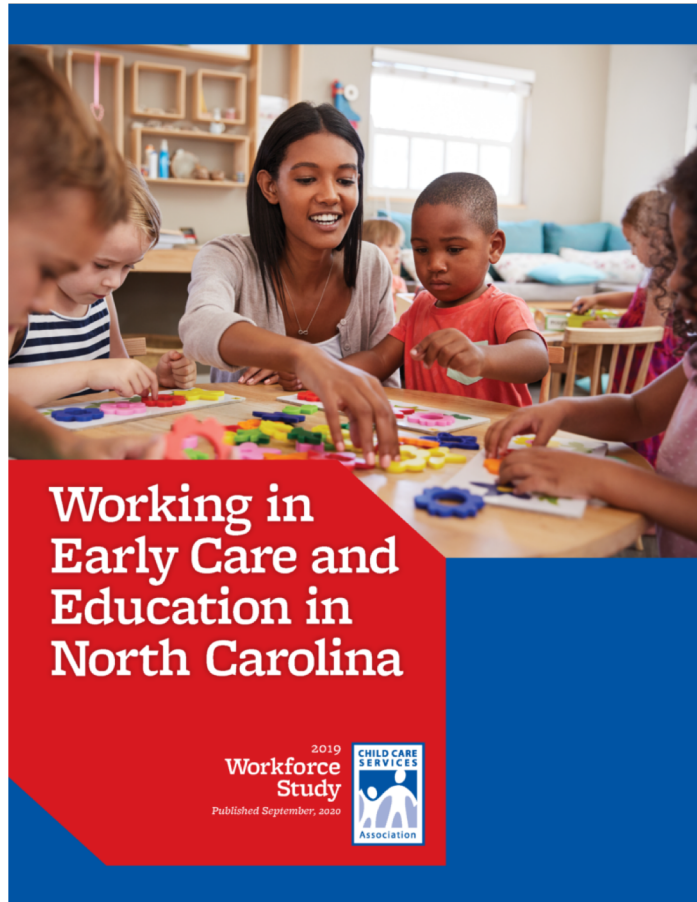
Child Care Subsidies

New Child Care Subsidy
Rates

Build Supply Infant
Toddler Child Care

Infant Toddler Workforce
Compensation

CCSA 2019 Workforce Study



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Thank you!

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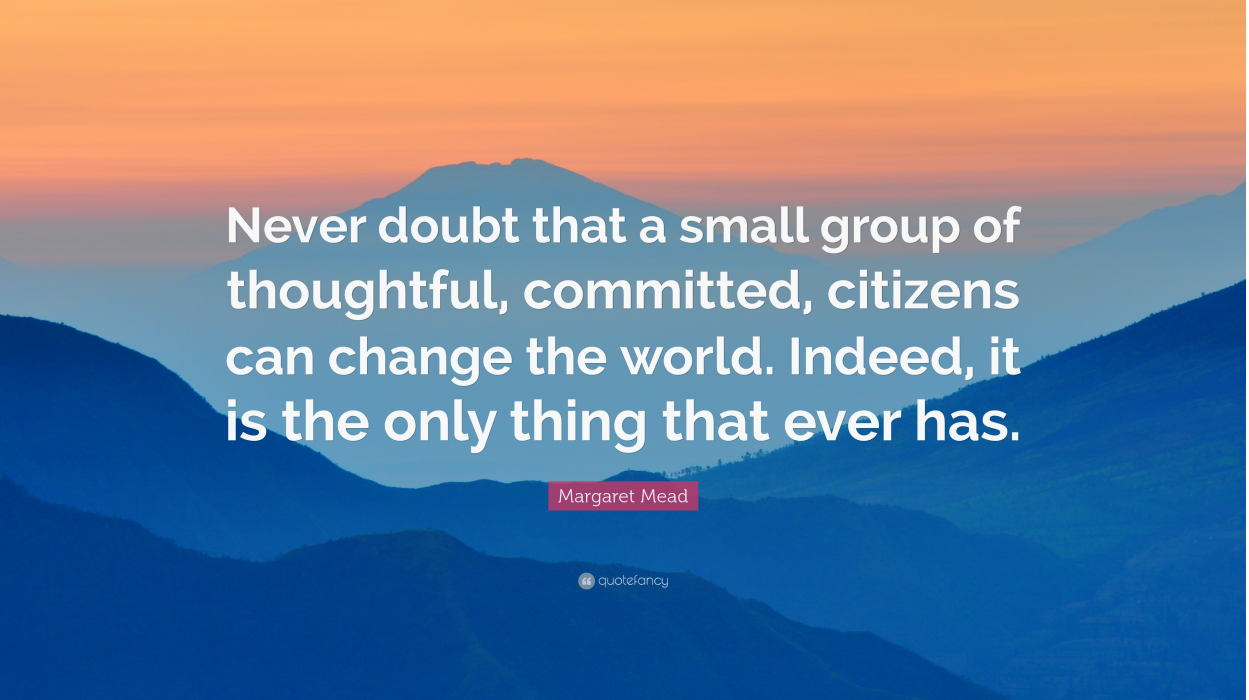
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Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed, citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.

Margaret Mead

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