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MEDIA ALERT

Thursday, 28 April 2022

ANNOUNCING THE EARLY LEARNING MATTERS FEDERAL ELECTION 2022 CANDIDATES FORUM

As politicians gear up their election campaigns we are calling on leaders across politics to support high quality early learning **access, affordability, inclusion and stability** for every child.

Early childhood professionals, family and community members are invited to attend the fully virtual *Federal Election 2022 Candidates Forum* on Monday, 2 May at 7:00 pm (AEST), as we meet with key election candidates with early childhood portfolio responsibility who will share their policies and plans to support Australian children:

- The Hon Stuart Robert MP, Acting Minister for Education and Youth
- The Hon Amanda Rishworth MP, Shadow Minister for Early Childhood Education, Shadow Minister for Youth
- Senator Mehreen Faruqi, Senator for NSW
- NSW Senate Candidate, Jane Caro AM, Reason Party

Attendees will have the opportunity to ask political leaders questions about the issues that are important to them.

[Early Childhood Australia](#) (ECA) is partnering with [Thrive by Five](#) and [Community Connections Solutions Australia](#) to co-host this online event which will be facilitated by ECA's CEO, Sam Page, and live-streamed through Zoom to a registered audience, and through ECA's [Facebook](#) page. To help remind our decision makers why **Early Learning Matters** this election [register today](#) to attend this important event.

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ECA CEO Sam Page is available for comment. For interviews, contact ECA Media Team: 0475 554 999

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