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**NZEI Te Riu Roa members are calling for an end to six years of funding freezes in ECE, and for the funding and quality in ECE to be restored.**

While some kids are getting a fantastic, high quality ECE that sets them up for life, many other kids aren't. We want every New Zealand child, no matter where they're enrolled, or how much their parents can afford to pay, to have the best early childhood education possible. We say every child is worth it.

### **We want:**

- The Government to end the six-year freeze on per-child funding and restore the funding for 100 percent qualified teachers.
- A commitment from all political parties to the goal of 100 percent qualified teachers in ECE.

### **Why does ECE funding need to be fixed?**

- Since 2010, the Government has only provided extra money for ECE to cover increased enrolments.
- With less money per child, and funding cut for qualified teachers, it's getting harder for the best, teacher led services to survive without asking parents for more money.
- Lower quality services have become the only option for many families.
- We can turn this around, so every child has access to the best quality ECE in the world.
- Please find out more at [everychild.org.nz](http://everychild.org.nz), or join us on Facebook at **Every Child is Worth It**.

