



Using the Internet to Advocate for Children

Finding information about public policy issues and the status of current programs and initiatives has never been easier with the sophistication of the Internet and Websites that provide information that was only available previously through printed publications and libraries. There are established and new sites that are devoted to children's issues. Following is a list of some sites that may be helpful to your work as a children's advocate. On most of the sites, you'll find a place to sign up for their newsletters and regular public policy alerts. The sites contain a mixture of early childhood information, analyses of programs/issues and reports of political, advocacy and research activities.

- ✓ *Children's Defense Fund:* www.childrensdefense.org
- ✓ *Child Welfare League of America:* www.cwla.org
- ✓ *Voices for America's Children:* www.voices.org
- ✓ *Every Child Matters:* www.everychildmatters.org
- ✓ *Southern Regional Education Board:* www.sreb.org
- ✓ *National Council of State Legislatures:* www.ncsl.org
- ✓ *Foundation for Child Development:* www.fcd-us.org
- ✓ *Child Trends:* www.childtrends.org
- ✓ *Pre-K Now:* www.preknow.org
- ✓ *Southern Governor's Association:* www.southerngovernors.org
- ✓ *National Governor's Association:* www.nga.org
- ✓ *Connect for Kids:* www.connectforkids.org
- ✓ *National Association for the Education of Young Children:* www.naeyc.org
- ✓ *Southern Early Childhood Association:* www.SouthernEarlyChildhood.org
- ✓ *National Institute for Early Education Research:* <http://nieer.org>
- ✓ *National Head Start Association:* www.nhsa.org
- ✓ *Frank Porter Graham Child Development Center:* www.fpg.unc.edu
- ✓ *High Scope Educational Research Foundation:* www.highscope.org
- ✓ *National Association of School Boards of Education:* www.nasbe.org
- ✓ *National Child Care Information Center:* www.nccic.org

Remember, you're only a "Google" away from a wealth of information! Do your research the easy way and learn to navigate the World Wide Web. You'll wonder how you ever got along without it.

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