



## NAEYC Affiliate Resolution on Family Detentions

As part of the affiliate network of the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), the undersigned organizations are committed to ensuring that all children are able to thrive and learn in a society dedicated to ensuring they reach their full potential. We shared the national organization's [strong opposition to children being separated from their parents at the U.S. border](#), because research is clear that those actions harm children's development and well-being. Yet while family separation has been ended, children are still being harmed.

We stand together now to implore a continued and urgent focus on the children who have yet to be reunited with their parents, as well as to advocate for a solution that does not involve incarcerating children. Research tells us that family detention harms kids. Our core values tell us that we have an obligation to strengthen the bonds between all children and their families. Therefore, we are speaking out on this critical issue to respond to the research, advance that obligation and uphold our core values. We recognize the power of our individual and collective voices, and will continue to act to address this and the many other issues and opportunities facing our children, families, and educators today and every day.

Anchorage Association for the Education of Young Children (AAEYC)

Connecticut Association for the Education of Young Children (CTAEYC)

Northern Interior Alaska Association for the Education of Young Children (NIAAEYC)

District of Columbia Association for the Education of Young Children (DCAEYC)

Southeast Alaska Association for the Education of Young Children (Southeast Alaska AEYC)

Florida Association for the Education of Young Children (FLAEYC)

Arizona Association for the Education of Young Children (AzAEYC)

Hawaii Association for the Education of Young Children (HIAEYC)

Southern Arizona Association for the Education of Young Children (SAZAEYC)

Idaho Association for the Education of Young Children (Idaho AEYC)

California Association for the Education of Young Children (CAEYC)

Golden Corridor Association for the Education of Young Children (GOAEYC)

Orange County Association for the Education of Young Children (OCAEYC)

Illinois Association for the Education of Young Children (Illinois AEYC)



Indiana Association for the Education of Young Children (INAEYC)

Iowa Association for the Education of Young Children (Iowa AEYC)

Maine Association for the Education of Young Children (MaineAEYC)

Massachusetts Association for the Education of Young Children (MAAEYC)

Michigan Association for the Education of Young Children (MIAEYC)

Minnesota Association for the Education of Young Children (MnAEYC) & Minnesota School-Age Care Alliance

Missouri Association for the Education of Young Children (Missouri AEYC)

Nashville Area Association for the Education of Young Children (Nashville Area AEYC)

Nevada Association for the Education of Young Children (NevAEYC)

New Hampshire Association for the Education of Young Children (NHAEYC)

New Jersey Association for the Education of Young Children (NJAEYC)

New York Association for the Education of Young Children (NYAEYC)

North Carolina Association for the Education of Young Children (NCAEYC)

Ohio Association for the Education of Young Children (Ohio AEYC)

Southwest Ohio Association for the Education of Young Children (Southwest Ohio AEYC)

Oklahoma Association for the Education of Young Children (OKAEYC)

Oregon Association for the Education of Young Children (ORAEYC)

Pennsylvania Association for the Education of Young Children (PennAEYC)

Puerto Rico Association for the Education of Young Children (PRAEYC)

Rhode Island Association for the Education of Young Children (RIAEYC)

South Carolina Association for the Education of Young Children (SCAEYC)

Texas Association for the Education of Young Children (Texas AEYC)

Vermont Association for the Education of Young Children (Vermont AEYC)

Northern Virginia Association for the Education of Young Children (NVAEYC)

Virginia Association for the Education of Young Children (VAAEYC)

Washington Association for the Education of Young Children (WAEYC)

Wisconsin Early Childhood Association (WECA)