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Letter to the Editor

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Re: Full-day learning starts next year

Dr. Charles Pascal's vision for a revolutionized system of early learning and care is one that will serve all of Ontario well in the long run.

By repairing the fractured system of learning and care that currently exists in our province, the McGuinty government's full day early learning commitment will better meet the needs of young children and give our diverse families the choices they need.

This vision is not just good for children and families. High quality early learning and care that fosters healthy home lives and learning environments for children at a young age really pay off in the long run. They reduce failure in school, child poverty, youth violence, and unmet expectations of new Canadians and their children.

The return on investment will be dramatic, and it will be felt for many years to come. Investing in Ontario's children is the smart thing to do and the right thing to do.

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