



May 2, 2023

Clark Sykes
Director of Construction
Child Care Associates
3000 E. Belknap
Fort Worth, TX 76111

Dear Director Sykes,

On behalf of the City of Saginaw I enthusiastically support Tarrant County College District's (TCCD) proposal for the Child Care Associates Institute to Advance Child Care Infant and Toddler Infrastructure Expansion funding opportunity. The project will increase access to early learning facilities in high-need neighborhoods of Tarrant County. TCCD's Chancellor LeBlanc and I work closely in communities across Tarrant County. We have heard how challenging it is for working parents to balance responsibilities as both a parent and as a student. By providing affordable and accessible child care on TCCD's Campuses, parents will have a greater chance to successfully achieve their goals and ensure their children are prepared to begin their educational journey.

The City of Saginaw recognizes the challenges community members and TCCD students face given the lack of access to quality early learning facilities, which disproportionately impacts our underrepresented populations living in Tarrant County. Additionally, the benefit of obtaining post-secondary education is well understood by parents, but the reality of the lack of affordable childcare is a barrier. Expanded access to quality childcare, especially one located on a college campus, can create economic opportunity and, ultimately, prosperity in our community.

The City of Saginaw fully endorses TCCD's Child Care Infant and Toddler Infrastructure Expansion proposal and we are honored to support TCCD on this project.

Sincerely,

Mayor Todd Flippo

City of Saginaw