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"My son was a little over 3 when he started attending preschool and didn't know how to write and recognize much of anything as far as letters, shapes, numbers, etc. He is 4 months shy of his 5th birthday and can write and spell out his first and last name, write every letter and number up to 20, can count to 100, can draw and recognize shapes and count to 20 in Spanish!"

K. Halvorson
Ham Lake, MN



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"I felt pure excitement and relief [when the family learned they received an Early Learning Scholarship]. I have always agreed with starting children's education young. Watching the growth and development of our daughter makes us confident she will be more than ready for kindergarten. What a life saver."

C. Sanders
Brooklyn Park, MN



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"We feel extremely grateful and honored to be awarded with the [Early Learning] Scholarship. The children spend 8+ hours a day at this center, and they love it. We feel our children are in great hands, and we are getting a great preschool education and great social skills as well."

D. Stafki and A. Erickson
St. Cloud, MN



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"Without the assistance of...the [Early Learning] Scholarships...we would not be giving to the community like we are now. And beyond that, our children are amazing smart and talented individuals..."

N. Smith
Plymouth, MN



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"It changed our lives not having to worry about whether or not affording daycare is an option. My daycare provider is awesome with my kids and is very educational and fun at the same time."

A. Stevens
Ogema, MN

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"When you have two parents who work full-time it's hard to get in all the things kids need to know before kindergarten. Having the daycare be part of the Parent Aware program, she is always taking classes or getting new ideas about the ways kids learn and play. The Scholarship has been a blessing for our family..."

K. Mindt
Ogema, MN

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"As a foster parent and pre-adoptive home, it would have made it more financially challenging for us. There are so many children that need loving homes and many that cannot financially be a permanent placement. This Scholarship can support families and children in providing a well rounded environment."

B. Spaeth
Ogema, MN

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"I was able to secure a full-time job with great benefits for me and my son. He recognizes all the letters...and also the numbers. He can write his name and also read at the age of 3. I would like to thank the Parent Aware Scholarship program for ... getting my son ready for kindergarten."

C. Gunderson
Ogema, MN

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