

My name is Linda Sheen Watkins. I live in the portion of Northport, Michigan of Leelanau County. I'm here to share my support for the Early Childhood Education millage. I am disappointed and disagree with the actions of several members of this commission in trying to negate the voters' wishes period. That includes this for this program.

If you are finding challenges in executing this properly, that's a different issue. It's up to you, the elected board to identify the resources to execute the decision made by the voters.

It takes very little research to find study after study that report the broad personal, community, economic and societal benefits that come from Early Childhood Education investments.

Our county's and country depend on our educational system helping develop the adults and leaders of tomorrow - the future workforce.

It is our responsibility as the citizens of today to give the coming generation the best chance possible.

We as voters approved this - we expect that you, as leaders will fulfill the wishes of the voters.