

As a parent and as a voter, I am writing to urge you to make children's issues a top priority in your presidential campaign.

In your policy discussions and debates, I would like to hear more about your plans for improving schools and early childhood education, ways you would help parents balance work and family, and what you would do to ensure that all children have easy access to quality healthcare.

Other issues that also merit your attention include product safety, environmental risks to children, mental health problems, and the need for medical research into new childhood epidemics such as autism and allergies.

I hope you will take a leadership role in bringing these issues to the forefront during your campaign. And if you're elected, I'll expect you to be a strong advocate for children because, as you know, getting kids off to a good start will ensure a better future for our nation.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,