## The Importance of Early Learning

FOR CHILDREN AGES 0 - 3

Research indicates that what happens in the early years is the foundation for the long-term success of a child. 80%
of brain\*
growth and
development
happens in the
first 3 years

during these years

shape
how
a child
sees the world

A child will develop the first

1000 WORDS of their

vocabulary

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Children receiving high quality early learning from parents, family and caregivers are happier, healthier and more likely to succeed later in life.



They have stronger, happier family ties.



They are less likely to repeat grades.



They are more likely to graduate high school.



They are more likely to be employed and find better jobs.

\*Baby's Brain Begins Now: Conception to Age 3. (n.d) The Urban Child Institute. Retrieved from http://www.urbanchildinstitute.org/why-0-3/baby-and-brain.



Great strides begin with small steps.

