

# The Path to Pre-K: CPPP and the 2015 Legislative Session

CPPP identifies expanded Pre-K as a [legislative priority for 2015](#).



DECEMBER 2014

Gov. Abbott declares early childhood education an emergency item.



CPPP weighs in, supports focus on Pre-K, and pushes for more investments and better quality standards.

[BLOG: You Had Me At "Early Education"](#)

FEBRUARY 2015

CPPP releases the [Closing the Opportunity Gap: Texas Should Invest in High Quality Full-Day Pre-Kindergarten](#) study.

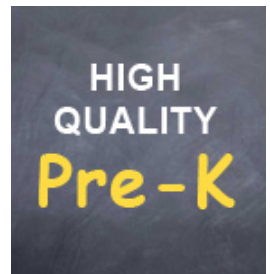
MARCH

CPPP Releases the [2015 State of Texas Children](#) report with Pre-K panel discussion featuring State Rep. Joe Deshotel, Catherine Morse of Samsung Austin Semiconductor, Dr. Liz Gershoff of the UT Austin Department of Human Development and CPPP Executive Director Ann Beeson.



Panelists identified the need to get lawmakers more research on the short-term benefits of Pre-K, so the University of Texas LBJ School and CPPP got to work.

CPPP testifies throughout the legislative session using our analysis and school finance expertise to [inform the Pre-K debate](#).

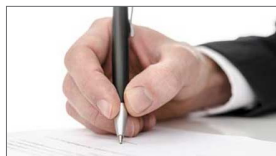


UTLBJ releases the [Pre-K is Good for Kids and for Texas](#) report with data support from CPPP, along with the "[Trust the Data: Pre-K is Good for Kids](#)" column by CPPP Board Member Cynthia Osborne in Texas Tribune's TribTalk.

APRIL

House, Senate and Governor approve Pre-K legislation!

[CPPP applauds and calls for next steps](#).



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