

Caledonia County

THE ROLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

April Zajko is a licensed early childhood educator and a faculty member at the Community College of Vermont. April says that from teaching early education students and providing professional development to hundreds of early educators across Vermont, she has seen firsthand “how people who commit to this career find passion and purpose, and a commitment to something larger than themselves.”

April provides essential education to Vermont’s early childhood educators, noting the high value of access to higher education courses, and works closely with the Vermont Association for the Education of Young Children (VTAEYC) in Advancing as a Profession as a member of the Advancing as a Profession Task Force.

The work of educators like April helps other early educators grow in their careers, increase their earnings, and supports them in providing the highest level of care to children birth to five.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR YES VOTE ON H.171!

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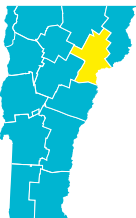
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CALEDONIA COUNTY BY THE NUMBERS



CHILDREN LIKELY TO NEED CARE:

- 362 Infants
- 188 Toddlers
- 371 Preschoolers

CHILD CARE SPACES NEEDED TO MEET DEMAND:

- 188 for Infants
- 0 for Toddlers
- 34 for Preschoolers



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I work with many children and families in our community and I see how so many struggle to find high-quality child care. **Not only is child care important for attracting young professionals and new families to our community, like my family, but it is the foundation for building young minds.** This is why I support making high-quality child care more affordable for young families. Please join me in the Vermont Child Care Campaign.”

ALLISON HANSEN, LICSW, PMH-C
Child & Family Therapist | Lyndonville

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Equitable access to high-quality childcare and early education is vital to all children and families of Vermont. Quality programming should be easily accessible and affordable for families while providing equitable compensation for childhood educators. **Children are our future. Vermonters need to prioritize investing in the children and early education system to ensure both personal and economic growth.**”



LYNN MACIE
Owner, Macie's Childcare | Lunenburg