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**Early childhood education pays**

Samuel Meisels, founding director of the University of Nebraska's Buffett Early Childhood Institute, spoke May 1 at the Holland Center about "Why the Early Years of Life Matter." After attending this presentation, I am enthusiastic about the future of early childhood education in Nebraska.

The experiences of children before kindergarten are critical in their long-term development.