

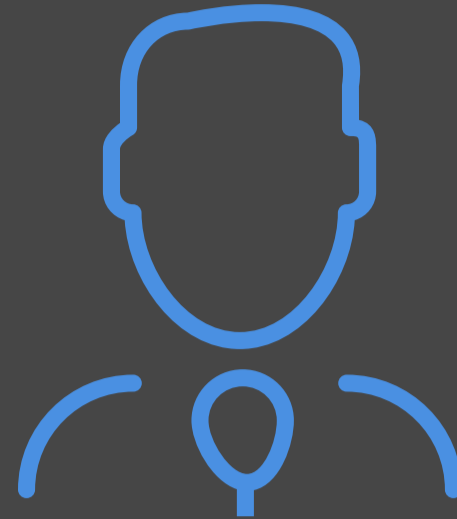
# Arkansans agree!

A 2018 poll shows strong bipartisan support for key budget and policy issues.

## Fund Pre-K

By age 3, children have developed 85% of their core brain structure. By providing kids with quality pre-kindergarten programs, schools can increase a child's potential when their minds are most receptive. After hearing this information, **67% of Arkansans support increasing state funding for pre-K programs.**

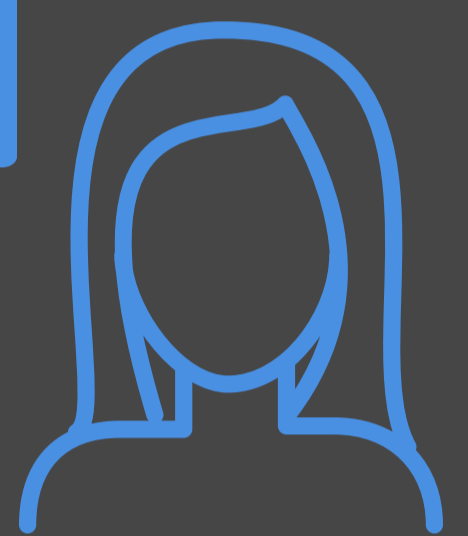
**67% support more pre-K funding**



## Prioritize State Programs Over Tax Cuts

- Governor Asa Hutchinson wants to cut taxes for Arkansans making more than \$75,000 a year. Cutting taxes means reducing the amount of money the state can spend on things like education, highways, and health care. After hearing this information, **51% of Arkansans support investing in state programs over tax cuts.**

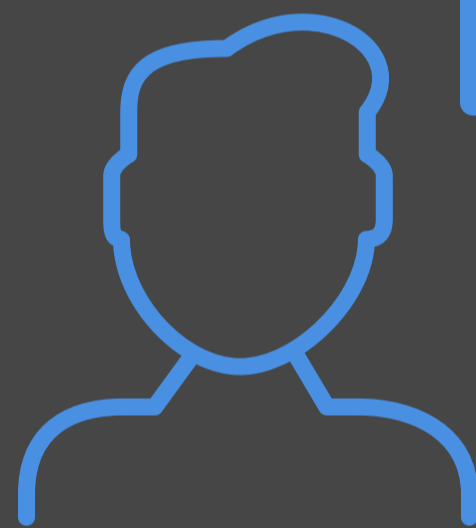
**51% support investing in state programs**



## Create Tax Credits for Working Families

The federal Earned Income Tax Credit helps low-to-moderate-income families make ends meet with credits at tax time, as they put more money back in their pockets. Many states also have EITC programs, but Arkansas does not. Since people must work to qualify for this tax credit, research shows that they encourage work and help families permanently move out of poverty. EITCs are also shown to benefit children's educational outcomes and health. After hearing this information, **79% of Arkansans - including 79% of independents and 72% of Republicans - support Earned Income Tax Credits for our state.**

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## Protect Medicaid Funding

Many Arkansans rely on Medicaid for health coverage - including children, the elderly and those with disabilities. Recently, lawmakers considered proposals to reduce spending on Medicaid, which could mean fewer people can enroll in the program. After hearing this information, **65% of Arkansans oppose cuts to Medicaid funding.**

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## Fund Out-of-School Care

Afterschool and summer programs offer safe, caring environments for kids while parents work. These programs are linked to improved school performance and workforce readiness. Currently, Arkansas doesn't spend state funding on afterschool and summer programs. After hearing this information, **76% of Arkansans support investing in afterschool and summer programs.**

**76% support out-of-school care**



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