



Parent/Caregiver Compensation for Attendance at the Educare Network Meeting

May 1-3, 2024

Event Website: <https://www.educareschools.org/event/2024-educare-learning-network-meeting/>

Children and families are the heart of the Educare Network. As a Network, it is critical that family voices and expertise are elevated and centered in our work. Engaging families in decision making, thought partnership, development of resources, and participation in and delivery of training supports greater equity, authenticity, and successful outcomes for children and families. The following rates recognize families as partners in our work and as subject matter experts. Our policy and approach are grounded in the belief that families are experts and their lived experiences, diverse perspectives and emotional labor should be compensated accordingly.

See the following compensation benefits below for a parent/caregiver registrant at the 2024 Educare Network Meeting.

Accommodations

Educare parent/caregiver participants will be provided with complimentary lodging at one of the Network Meeting hotels for the nights of April 30, May 1 and 2. Hotel check-in and check-out dates should be confirmed during the registration process. Confirmation emails will come directly from the hotel. A credit card is due upon check-in for incidentals. Please let us know if an alternative solution for the credit card hold is needed.

Travel

Airfare costs of up to \$600 will be reimbursed for one parent/caregiver registered per school after the event plus one bag per leg of the trip. We ask that schools support parent/caregiver participants by booking and covering the cost of flights for parents/caregivers. Please include their recipients in the [reimbursement form](#) your school submits after the event.

Meals & Ground Transit

The following meals will be provided to all attendees during the meeting:

- **Wednesday, May 1:** Breakfast, Lunch, and Refreshments at the Evening Reception
- **Thursday, May 2:** Breakfast, Lunch, and Refreshments at the Educare Winnebago Open House
- **Friday, May 3:** Breakfast

Parent/caregiver participants will receive a **\$138** stipend for meals and incidentals beyond the meals provided at the meeting. Per diem rates are set by the [U.S. General Services Administration](#). An additional **\$200** stipend (\$50/day x 4 days) for ground transportation to/from and during the meeting will be provided.

Parent/Caregiver Support & Honorarium

To assist with childcare expenses associated with event participation, Educare parent/caregiver



participants will be provided with a **\$300** childcare stipend (\$75/day x 4 days). In recognition of their time and contributions as event attendees, Educare parent/caregiver participants will also be given an honorarium of **\$450** (\$150/day x 3 days).

School & Participant Payment Process

Funds to support parent/caregiver participation will be dispersed electronically to Educare schools through an agreement as outlined below. **Each school will be responsible for dispersing the payments directly to the parents/caregivers.**

- Payment 1: \$638 (\$138 meals, \$200 ground transit, \$300 child care) delivered by **April 24, 2024**.
- Payment 2: \$450 (honorarium) delivered within 30 days of the event alongside your school's travel reimbursement form.

Total to be distributed per parent/caregiver: \$1088.00

For timely payment it is important to have your parent/caregiver representative registered by March 29.

As a reminder, we ask that you cover the cost of parent/caregiver flights upfront and submit for reimbursement at the conclusion of the event.

If you have any questions about parent/caregiver registration or the compensation policy, please contact us at support@educarenetwork.org.