## Letter to the Editor re: "Academic Benefits Fade by End of Grade 1: Study" [1]

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**EXCERPTS** 

Your report on my preliminary research on the impact of full-day kindergarten did not put enough emphasis on the significant benefits of full-day kindergarten (Academic Benefits Fade By End Of Grade 1: Study - March 28 [2]).

I stressed that the findings of the study show the strong vocabulary and self-regulation benefits of full-day kindergarten. These are the cornerstones for life-long benefits of early childhood programs, including better education and mental health.

Other related benefits found in the study, such as reducing family stress, were not mentioned.

Cherry-picking to create a negative impression regarding positive research results is not helpful to the public discourse about something as important as early childhood education.

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