

## Jordan Ellico Public Comment

Subject: Unemployment for 9-10 month CCSD Employees

Hello,

My name is Jordan Ellico and I have worked for CCSD for 4 years. I followed in my moms footsteps and decided to become a paraprofessional after deciding to major in education in 2015. That switch was the best one I ever made. Let me tell you a little bit about me and why unemployment for all 9-10 month CCSD employees is so important.

During the summer, I am normally employed another child care facility as I cannot afford to not work. I help support my mom, her diabetic husband, and my niece. Paychecks are so important through the summer as power bills skyrocket and with the scarcity of things...our grocery bill has, too. This summer, though, child care facilities have furloughed most employees and are not looking to hire outside help. Some are closed altogether. I have applied for over 100 different jobs on Indeed.com and SnagAJob.com with 0 call backs or emails. Most grocery stores or offices are looking for people with experience in the field. As much of my experience is in education and child care...I'm not one they look to hire. 3 of us are also on the high risk list for COVID-19 and have been recommended to stay home until things have passed. Because most jobs are not work from home, it's been all around difficult to find anything.

Unemployment during the summer would mean safety for my family and would give us the ability to live without having to worry about groceries. It would allow us to pay our bills and keep off of the front line of catching the virus. There are thousands of CCSD employees just like me who cannot survive 3 months with no paycheck. Please allow us to receive unemployment so we can continue to live without worry.

Thank you,  
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