



# We invite you to support the 2026

# thread AWARDS

Sponsorship deadline April 9

## Join **thread** as a sponsor of our 11th annual **thread Awards!**

We invite you to join us in celebrating the very best of child care in Alaska by sponsoring the 2026 **thread Awards!** With a focus on celebrating excellence in child care and the impact high quality child care has on youth, education, and families, the **thread Awards** acknowledge the professionalism of the early child care workforce and provide an opportunity for child care professionals to come together to celebrate their industry.

Launched in 2015, the **thread Awards** program has grown to include three separate awards, and **thread** has recognized more than twenty individuals and programs across the state for their excellence in child care. Please join us in honoring Alaska's child care leaders by sponsoring the 2026 **thread Awards!**

Stable, supported early childhood teachers and programs are the foundation for consistent, high-quality child care. As a 2026 **thread Awards** sponsor, you can help foster growth and achievement within Alaska's child care industry, while honoring the passion, strength, and professionalism of Alaska's early educators.

Secure your sponsorship today!

## Cindy Harrington Heart & Mind Award

**thread** launched this award in 2015 in honor of the late Cindy Harrington, founding mother of early childhood education in Alaska and former member of **thread's** Board of Directors. This award honors a professional in early childhood education who is committed to professional growth despite hardships or challenges and is creating a brighter future for the young children of Alaska.

## Quality Improvement Program of the Year Award

**thread** launched this statewide award in 2017 to recognize both a center-based child care program and a family child care program that has demonstrated a strong dedication to continuous quality improvement and has made exceptional progress in the past year through Learn & Grow, Alaska's Recognition and Improvement System.

## Legacy Award

The Legacy Award is a **thread's** newest award and was launched in 2025. This award honors a professional who has made significant contributions to strengthening and advancing the quality of early childhood education in Alaska over the course of their career.

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## SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

You're invited to partner with **thread**! As a sponsor, you'll support this event and Alaska's early childhood educators and programs. Promote your company, support the early childhood workforce, and celebrate high-quality child care in Alaska!

*All sponsors are invited to the virtual event on April 30, 2026.*

### CHAMPION — \$3,000

- Sponsor highlight during event (work with **thread** to customize)
- Social media company spotlight leading up to event
- Message of appreciation at the event
- Logo featured on all event communications & **thread** website

### BUILDER — \$1,500

- Social media company spotlight leading up to the event
- Message of appreciation at the event
- Logo featured on all event communications & **thread** website

### HELPER — \$500

- Message of appreciation at the event
- Logo featured on all event communications & **thread** website

We are grateful for your sponsorship consideration and support of early childhood education in Alaska! We are happy to answer any questions you may have or provide additional support. Please contact Elizabeth Klemm at [eklemm@threadalaska.org](mailto:eklemm@threadalaska.org) for more information.

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## SPONSORSHIP FORM

YES! I want to support the early childhood education workforce by sponsoring the 2026 **thread** Awards.

Business/Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### SPONSORSHIP LEVELS:

Please select the level of sponsorship you are interested in.

- CHAMPION: \$3,000
- BUILDER: \$1,500
- HELPER: \$500
- Other Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

PUBLICITY INFORMATION: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide spelling and punctuation of sponsor name precisely as you want it to appear in promotional materials. Please also provide sponsor logo to include in materials. Email to [eklemm@threadalaska.org](mailto:eklemm@threadalaska.org).

SPONSOR SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail completed form & payment to **thread**, Attn: Elizabeth Klemm at 111 W. 16th Avenue, Suite 205, Anchorage, AK 99501.

OR email completed form to [eklemm@threadalaska.org](mailto:eklemm@threadalaska.org) and [pay securely online](#).



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