

## Secretary Nominee

Learn more about our candidate for secretary using the link below their name, where they have addressed the following questions:

- *Why are you interested in serving as the Secretary on the Iowa AEYC Governing Board?*
- *What experiences and qualifications do you bring with you that would help elevate Iowa AEYC and support efforts to be a more inclusive organization?*
- *Why do you think it is important to support all who care for, educate, and work on behalf of young children?*



### Tiffany Skaggs

Tiffany Skaggs is a family child care educator, leader, and advocate based in Waverly, Iowa. She is the owner and educator behind Little Explorers Family Child Care, where she provides a nurturing, play-based, developmentally appropriate environment for children from birth through age twelve. Tiffany is passionate about early childhood best practices, social-emotional learning, and is a fierce advocate for play as the foundation of children's growth, exploration, and development.

Tiffany is also a proud TEACH participant, having earned both her associate's degree and bachelor's degree through the Iowa AEYC TEACH program. She previously served as a TEACH and WAGE\$ Ambassador, roles that allowed her to share her story, support fellow educators, and advocate for accessible pathways to higher education and fair compensation in early childhood.

Her leadership journey with Iowa AEYC began when she joined the Governing Board as the Family Child Care Chapter Representative. In that role, she elevated the voices of home-based educators and ensured their experiences were represented in statewide and nationwide conversations. She later served as a Member-at-Large and now serves as the appointed Secretary of the Iowa AEYC Governing Board. Tiffany is known for being engaged, dependable, and deeply committed to strengthening communication and connection across the organization.

In addition to her service with Iowa AEYC, Tiffany currently serves on the National ECE Workforce Advisory Board and as the State Representative for Iowa with the National Association for Family Child Care (NAFCC). These roles allow her to collaborate with early childhood professionals across the country, expand her network, and fuel her passion for advocating on behalf of early educators and family child care programs.

Tiffany brings a child-centered, relationship-driven approach to her work and is always looking for ways to keep learning and supporting others. She feels grateful for the opportunity to continue serving Iowa AEYC and to give back to the educators who inspire her every day.