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1. Find your local lawmakers at https://ncleg.gov/findyourlegislators and enter your address.
2. Personalize any information you would like below, but please remember to share the program's name.
3. Sending a hard copy is always best. It is recommended that you send it in a colorful envelope.
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**Dear (Legislator Title and Name),**

I’m writing to express my gratitude for your continued support of early childhood programs through the **Smart Start initiative**, which is funded through the **Partnership for Children of Cumberland County**.

Thanks to this funding, my family has access to **[Program Name]**, a program that has made a meaningful difference in our lives. Without these state funds, this opportunity might not be available to us.

Your vote to support **Smart Start** with state tax dollars is deeply appreciated. I encourage you to continue championing these programs that help families like mine thrive. If you ever have the chance, I’d be honored to share how **[Program Name]** has positively impacted our family.

Thank you again for your dedication to North Carolina’s children and families.

Sincerely,

**[Your Name]**