

MEMORANDUM – DENVER PRESCHOOL PROGRAM BOARD

TO:	City Council
FROM:	Office of Boards & Commissions
DATE:	1/10/2025
PURPOSE:	Appointment for Denver Preschool Program Board
PROCESS:	City Council Confirmation
NEXT STEPS:	City Council Confirmation

Staff liaison: Elsa Holguin / President & CEO – Denver Preschool Program

CURRENT BOARD STATUS – 1 APPOINTMENT

The Denver Preschool Program supports Denver families by offering tuition credits to increase access to high quality preschool. Unlike most preschool tuition assistance programs, the Denver Preschool Program is for all Denver families, regardless of income or neighborhood. Tuition credits are available to families that reside within the City and County of Denver and have a 4-year-old enrolled in a participating preschool program in the year before kindergarten. The amount of support a family receives is based on the family's income, the quality rating of the preschool the child attends and the length of day a child attends. The Denver Preschool Program works to improve the quality of preschool in Denver and is a national advocate for equal access to early childhood education.

Mayor appoints 10-14 board members and City Council confirms appointments. City Council appoints 1 Council Member.

Appointment Candidate:

Term: 2/1/2025 – 1/31/2028 until a successor is duly appointed.



Adeeb Khan – Executive Director of Denver Economic Development and Opportunity, City and County of Denver

BIO: Adeeb was appointed to this role by Mayor Mike Johnston in 2023 and is collaborating with city, business and community leaders to build the best economy in the country. At the city, Adeeb is responsible for business development, workforce development, downtown economic revitalization, global business development and wealth building strategies. He was appointed and is past chair for the Early Childhood Leadership Commission for the State of Colorado. He currently sits of the boards of Visit Denver, the Downtown Denver Partnership, the Biennial of the Americas and the Daniels College of Business. He received a BA in Communication and Media Studies at the University of Southern California and an MBA with a concentration in corporate social Responsibility at the University of Denver. He is a graduate of the Leadership Denver class of 2017, has been recognized as a Downtown Champion by the Downtown Denver Partnership, a Chamber Champion by the Denver Metro Chamber, one of Denver's Top 40 Under 40 by the Denver Business Journal, Community Changemaker of the Year by Colorado Youth for a Change and as a 9NEWS Leader of the Year Finalist.

CURRENT BOARD:**TERM EXPIRY**

Jennifer Luke	12-31-26
Anne Rowe	12-31-26
Dr. Lydia Prado	12-31-26
Andrea Albo	12-31-26
Nathaniel Cradle	12-31-26
William 'Zaki' Robbins	12-31-26
Lakeshia Allen Horner	12-31-26
Chris Daues	12-31-27
Erin Brown	12-31-27
Chyrise Harris	12-31-27

Councilmember Shontel Lewis (F)(AA) (Appointed by City Council)