

American Bridge 21st Century: Says Ron Johnson still doesn't care about supporting parents, lowering child care costs

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Few things are more reliably consistent than **U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson's** apparent eagerness to remind Wisconsinites that he's a wildly out-of-touch multimillionaire who's [doubled his wealth since joining Congress](#) and before that spent 30 years getting rich thanks to financial support from his billionaire father-in-law.

After a week in which [he resurfaced the GOP campaign](#) to gut health care coverage protections and drive up costs, **Johnson this week pivoted back to telling Wisconsin parents he refuses to help them by working to lower child care costs.**

During a Tuesday tele-town hall, **Johnson suggested an unempathetic, ill-conceived, and also illegal (under Wisconsin law) proposal to address the child care crisis, "[call\[ing\] for mothers receiving public assistance to help other mothers by staffing the child care centers taking care of their children.](#)"**

It's the second time this year that Johnson has made news for failing to come up with a real solution to lower child care costs, while opposing Democratic proposals to cap costs for parents.

In January, **Johnson [made statewide and national headlines](#), driving more than a week of news coverage, on his unapologetic opposition to lowering child care costs for Wisconsin families.**

Read the latest coverage on Ron Johnson once again sticking his thumb in the eye of hardworking Wisconsin parents:

AP: [Johnson calls for mothers on welfare to staff child centers](#)

Wisconsin State Journal: [Sen. Ron Johnson calls for mothers on government assistance to staff child care centers](#)

Vanity Fair: [Ron Johnson's solution to the childcare crisis: Have moms on government assistance take care of everyone's kids](#)

The American Independent: [Ron Johnson thinks struggling moms should take care of other people's kids](#)

Patch: [WI Senator Suggests Moms On Assistance Staff Child Care Centers](#)