

Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023

3rd State Senate District Senator Mattie Hunter

A Snapshot of Children in State Senate District 3

7,124 children 0 to 2
5,747 children 3 to 5
13,996 children 6 to 12

26,867 Total children under 13

} **70%** of children under 6 live in households where all parents work

What child care options are available to families?



75 Child care centers can serve up to **6,140** children



116 Licensed child care homes can serve up to **1,057** children



468 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around **1129** children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$44,494

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care



Home-based: **\$11,870**



Center-based: **\$16,429**

This is **27%-37%** of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care



Home-based: **\$10,147**



Center-based: **\$11,920**

This is **23%-27%** of a family's income.

The cost of center care rivals college tuition: **\$15,348**

What programs support children & families in your district?

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES (IDHS)

2,024 children age 0-2

2,134 children age 3-5

2,798 children age 6-12

7,098 children served

\$41,516,666

in total CCAP payments to providers in the district

The Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP), funded through IDHS, helps families pay for child care while they work or go to school.

EARLY CHILDHOOD BLOCK GRANT

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION (ISBE)

11 Prevention Initiative programs

390 children age 0-2

50 Preschool for All programs

1,823 children age 3-5

2,213 children served

The Early Childhood Block Grant is funded by ISBE to help programs provide high-quality early education opportunities through Preschool for All (PFA) and Prevention Initiative (PI) services for infants, toddlers, and expectant families.

HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START

US DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

17 Early Head Start sites

545 children age 0-2

17 Head Start sites

658 children age 3-5

1,203 children served

Head Start programs for 3- and 4-year-olds, along with Early Head Start for infants and toddlers, are federally-funded early education programs for families living below the poverty line and designed to meet the comprehensive needs of families.

For source information on the data cited in this profile, please email:

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