Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023

32nd State Senate District Senator Craig Wilcox

A Snapshot of Children in State Senate District 32

6,376 children 0 to 2

6,965 children 3 to 5

65% of children under 6 live in households where all parents work

17,559 children 6 to 12

30,900 Total children under 13

What child care options are available to families?

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42 Child care centers can serve up to 3,785 children

36 Licensed child care homes can serve up to 344 children

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35 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around 81 children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$117,758

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$15,215

Center-based: \$17,419

This is 13%-15% of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$12,627

Center-based: \$16,259

This is 11%-14% 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)

504 children age 0-2

605 children age 3-5

610 children age 6-12

1,727 children served

\$9.269.575

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)

3 Prevention Initiative programs

184 children age 0-2

9 Preschool for All programs

828 children age 3-5

1,012 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

O Early Head Start sites

O children age 0-2

1 Head Start sites

67 children age 3-5

67 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.

