Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023

53rd State Senate District Senator Tom Bennett

A Snapshot of Children in State Senate District 53

6,632 children 0 to 2

8,196 children 3 to 5

73% of children under 6 live in households where all parents work

20,049 children 6 to 12

34,877 Total children under 13

What child care options are available to families?

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32 Child care centers can serve up to 1,984 children

86 Licensed child care homes can serve up to 847 children

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50 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around 111 children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$99,226

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$9,173

Center-based: \$12,313

This is 9%-12% of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$8,831

Center-based: \$9,438

This is 9%-10% 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)

372 children age 0-2

401 children age 3-5

348 children age 6-12

1,129 children served

\$5,289,439

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)

O Prevention Initiative programs

O children age 0-2

24 Preschool for All programs

1,384 children age 3-5

1,384 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

5 Early Head Start sites

58 children age 0-2

9 Head Start sites208 children age 3-5

266 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.

