Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023

8th State Senate District Senator Ram Villivalam

A Snapshot of Children in State Senate District 8

8,208 children 0 to 2

9,149 children 3 to 5

59% of children under 6 live in households where all parents work

20,224 children 6 to 12

37,581 Total children under 13

What child care options are available to families?

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63 Child care centers can serve up to 4,424 children

41 Licensed child care homes can serve up to 465 children

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31 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around 73 children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$95,052

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$13,457

Center-based: **\$21,000**

This is 14%-22% of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$12,630

Center-based: **\$13,078**

This is 13%-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)

599 children age 0-2

740 children age 3-5

620 children age 6-12

1,990 children served

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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

98 children age 0-2

12 Preschool for All programs

651 children age 3-5

749 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

2 Early Head Start sites

64 children age 0-2

2 Head Start sites

114 children age 3-5

178 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.

