Child Care & Early Education Profile: 42nd Senate District
Senator Linda Holmes (D)

Child Care and Early Education Helps Children and Working Families in District 42

219,949 Total Population
15,620 Families with young children
22,278 Children Under 6
11,762 Preschool Age Children (3 to 5)
62% Percent of children under 6 living in households where all parents in the household work

Child Care in District 42

Formal child care options
52 Child care centers with capacity to serve 5,414 children
94 Licensed child care homes that can serve as many as 908 children

Informal care
In response to families' irregular work schedules, the majority of children in the district are cared for in legally license-exempt settings by family members, friends and neighbors. While the total number of informal caregivers is unknown, 435 receive payments through the Illinois Child Care Assistance Program for the care of up to 1,305 children.

Child Care is Expensive for Many District 42 Families

Percent of income a typical family needs to spend for full-day center care for a preschooler: 18%
Median Family Income: $61,988

Average Annual Cost of Full-Day Child Care

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