Child Care & Early Education Profile: 50th Senate District
Senator Wm. Sam McCann (R)

Child Care and Early Education Helps Children and Working Families in District 50

218,861  Total Population
11,072   Families with young children
15,091   Children Under 6
7,901    Preschool Age Children (3 to 5)
77%     Percent of children under 6 living in households where all parents in the household work

Child Care in District 50

Formal child care options
- 504 licensed child care homes that can serve as many as 1,863 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, 702 receive payments through the Illinois Child Care Assistance Program for the care of up to 2,106 children.

Child Care is Expensive for Many District 50 Families

- Percent of income a typical family needs to spend for full-day center care for a preschooer: 10%
- Median Family Income: $70,562

Average Annual Cost of Full-Day Child Care
- Infant in Center: $9,202
- Infant in Licensed Home: $6,432
- Preschooler in Center: $7,120
- Preschooler in Licensed Home: $5,863

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