Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023

54th State Senate District Senator Steven McClure

A Snapshot of Children in State Senate District 54

6,775 children 0 to 2

6,838 children 3 to 5

75% of children under 6 live in households where all parents work

19,628 children 6 to 12

33,241 Total children under 13

What child care options are available to families?

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36 Child care centers can serve up to 2,693 children

129 Licensed child care homes can serve up to 1,279 children

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98 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around 197 children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$93,504

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$8,080

Center-based: \$11,305 <

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

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$7,516

Center-based: \$8,962

This is 8%-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)

568 children age 0-2

524 children age 3-5

488 children age 6-12

1,590 children served

\$6,750,856

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)

13 Prevention Initiative programs

584 children age 0-2

36 Preschool for All programs

2,450 children age 3-5

3,034 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

96 children age 0-2

12 Head Start sites
327 children age 3-5

423 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.

