Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023

56th State House District Representative Michelle Mussman

A Snapshot of Children in State House District 56

7,977 Children 0 to 5 60% of children 0 to 5 live in households where all parents work

9,961 Children 6 to 12

17,938 Total children under 13

What child care options are available to families?

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27 Child care centers can serve up to 2,577 children

17 Licensed child care homes can serve up to 172 children

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10 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around 24 children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$96,059

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$12,295
Center-based: \$18,028

This is 13%-19% of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$11,410
Center-based: \$13,533

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This is 12%–14% of a family's income.

The cost of center care rivals college tuition: \$14,579

What programs support children & families in your district?

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES (IDHS)

229 children age 0-2

272 children age 3-5

184 children age 6-12

687 children served

\$3,621,092

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)

1 Prevention Initiative programs

48 children age 0-2

3 Preschool for All programs

708 children age 3-5

756 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

1 Early Head Start sites 81 children age 0-2

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68 children age 3-5

149 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.

