Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023

17th Congressional District Congressman Eric Sorensen

A Snapshot of Children in Congressional District 17

51,101 Children 0 to 5

74% of children 0 to 5 live in households where all parents work

65,566 Children 6 to 12

116,667 Total children under 13

What child care options are available to families?

146 Child care centers can serve up to 12,811 children

476 Licensed child care homes can serve up to 4,459 children

1,038 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around 2483 children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$66,951

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$8,406

Center-based: \$13,191

This is 13%-20% of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$7,787

Center-based: \$9,531

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)

4,242 children age 0-2

4,162 children age 3-5

4,688 children age 6-12

13,205 children served

\$49,492,826

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)

28 Prevention Initiative programs 1,511 children age 0-2

101 Preschool for All programs

7,021 children age 3-5

8,532 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

19 Early Head Start sites
761 children age 0-2

42 Head Start sites **2,596** children age 3-5

3,357 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.



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