# **Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023**

22nd State Senate District Senator Cristina Castro

## A Snapshot of Children in State Senate District 22

21,739 Children 6 to 12

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40,157 Total children under 13

## What child care options are available to families?

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36 Child care centers can serve up to 4,316 children

19 Licensed child care homes can serve up to 169 children

54 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around 119 children

### How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$85,094

**INFANT:** Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$10,975
Center-based: \$16,090

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

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$10,001

Center-based: \$12,586

This is 12%-15% 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)

702 children age 0-2

957 children age 3-5

**908** children age 6-12

2,579 children served

#### \$12,494,479

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)

5 Prevention Initiative programs406 children age 0-2

6 Preschool for All programs
752 children age 3-5

#### 1,158 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 112 children age 0-2

4 Head Start sites 145 children age 3-5

#### 257 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.

