Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023

3rd State Senate District Senator Mattie Hunter

A Snapshot of Children in State Senate District 3

12,864 Children 0 to 5 **70%** of children 0 to 5 live in households where

14,449 Children 6 to 12

all parents work

27,313 Total children under 13

What child care options are available to families?

- **78** Child care centers can serve up to **6,702** children
 - 123 Licensed child care homes can serve up to 1,128 children
 - 378 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around 910 children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$58,461

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$10,853

This is **19%-27%** of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care

- Home-based: **\$9,225**
 - Center-based: \$11,427

This is **16%-20%** 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)

1,660 children age 0-2

- 2,021 children age 3-5
- 2,502 children age 6-12

6,302 children served

\$29,681,616

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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)

11 Prevention Initiative programs390 children age 0-2

50 Preschool for All programs **1,823** children age 3-5

2,213 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

17 Early Head Start sites **545** children age 0-2

17 Head Start sites 658 children age 3-5

1,203 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.

