Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023

43rd State Senate District Senator Rachel Ventura

A Snapshot of Children in State Senate District 43

14,638 Children 0 to 5

71% of children 0 to 5 live in households where

20,601 Children 6 to 12

all parents work

35,239 Total children under 13

What child care options are available to families?

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31 Child care centers can serve up to 2,102 children

84 Licensed child care homes can serve up to 829 children

259 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around 636 children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$86,486

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$9,698

Center-based: \$13,782

This is 11%-16% of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$8,569

Center-based: \$10,281

This is 10%-12% 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)

882 children age 0-2

1,092 children age 3-5

1,236 children age 6-12

3,252 children served

\$12,967,594

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)

3 Prevention Initiative programs

222 children age 0-2

16 Preschool for All programs

1,422 children age 3-5

1,644 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

4 Early Head Start sites 177 children age 0-2

6 Head Start sites 506 children age 3-5

683 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.

