Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023

53rd State Senate District Senator Tom Bennett

A Snapshot of Children in State Senate District 53

15,037 Children 0 to 5

74% of children 0 to 5 live in households where

19,837 Children 6 to 12

all parents work

34,874 Total children under 13

What child care options are available to families?

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31 Child care centers can serve up to 1,888 children

86 Licensed child care homes can serve up to 870 children

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52 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around 116 children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$86,260

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$7,513

Center-based: \$12,011

This is 9%-14% of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$7,418

Center-based: \$10,276

This is 9%-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)

350 children age 0-2

357 children age 3-5

318 children age 6-12

1,032 children served

\$4,041,342

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)

O Prevention Initiative programs

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24 Preschool for All programs

1,384 children age 3-5

1,384 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

5 Early Head Start sites

58 children age 0-2

9 Head Start sites

208 children age 3-5

266 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.

