Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023

23rd State House District Representative Edgar Gonzalez

A Snapshot of Children in State House District 23

8,068 Children 0 to 5

64% of children 0 to 5 live in households where

10,619 Children 6 to 12

all parents work

18,686 Total children under 13

What child care options are available to families?

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12 Child care centers can serve up to 1,340 children

37 Licensed child care homes can serve up to 423 children

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64 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around 135 children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$45,900

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$10,916

Center-based: \$14,500 <

This is 24%-32% of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$9,265

Center-based: \$9,750

This is 20%-21% 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)

503 children age 0-2

604 children age 3-5

673 children age 6-12

1,794 children served

\$9,414,509

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)

4 Prevention Initiative programs 153 children age 0-2

20 Preschool for All programs 1,022 children age 3-5

1,175 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

8 Early Head Start sites 332 children age 0-2

5 Head Start sites282 children age 3-5

614 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.

