

Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2020

39th State House District

Representative Will Guzzardi

A Snapshot of Children in State House District

3,989 children 0 to 2
4,053 children 3 to 5
8,410 children 6 to 12

} **67%** of children under 6 live in households where all parents work

Child Care Options for Families



31 child care centers with capacity to serve up to **2,079** children



66 licensed child care homes with capacity to serve up to **717** children



86 license-exempt home caregivers serve around **181** children

Child Care Is Expensive for Many Families

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$54,408

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



Home-based: **\$9,842**



Center-based: **\$13,828**

This is **18%-25%** of a family's income.



This rivals college tuition: **\$14,166**

Average annual cost of licensed care: **PRESCHOOLER**



Home-based: **\$9,087**



Center-based: **\$9,458**

This is **17%-17%** of a family's income.

Early Care and Education Programs Support Children and Families

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

1,974 children served

650 children age 0-2

649 children age 3-5

675 children age 6-12

\$9,241,492

total CCAP payments

The Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP), funded through the Illinois Department of Human Services, helps families pay for child care while they work or go to school. Families are eligible if they earn below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level, or \$42,660 for a family of three.

EARLY CHILDHOOD BLOCK GRANT

1,042 children served

11 Prevention Initiative programs

54 children age 0-2

16 Preschool for All programs

988 children age 3-5

Early Childhood Block Grant funds from the Illinois State Board of Education provide high-quality early education opportunities through Preschool for All (PFA) part- and full-day programs for 3- and 4-year-olds and Prevention Initiative services for infants, toddlers, and expectant families. Programs are expected to prioritize children determined to be at-risk.

HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START

307 children served

3 Early Head Start sites

92 children age 0-2

5 Head Start sites

215 children age 3-5

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.