

Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2020

38th State Senate District

Senator Sue Rezin

A Snapshot of Children in State Senate District

7,222 children 0 to 2
8,196 children 3 to 5
19,879 children 6 to 12

} **69%** of children under 6 live in households where all parents work

Child Care Options for Families



25 child care centers with capacity to serve up to **1,662** children



56 licensed child care homes with capacity to serve up to **544** children



47 license-exempt home caregivers serve around **108** children

Child Care Is Expensive for Many Families

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$76,769

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



Home-based: **\$7,777**



Center-based: **\$10,088**

This is **10%-13%** of a family's income.

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

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



Home-based: **\$7,400**



Center-based: **\$7,998**

This is **10%-10%** of a family's income.

Early Care and Education Programs Support Children and Families

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

1,288 children served

427 children age 0-2

422 children age 3-5

439 children age 6-12

\$3,979,078

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

1,282 children served

2 Prevention Initiative programs

42 children age 0-2

17 Preschool for All programs

1,240 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

296 children served

4 Early Head Start sites

52 children age 0-2

9 Head Start sites

244 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.