

Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2020

49th State Senate District

Senator Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant

A Snapshot of Children in State Senate District

7,962 children 0 to 2
9,814 children 3 to 5
25,646 children 6 to 12

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

Child Care Options for Families



52 child care centers with capacity to serve up to **5,165** children



91 licensed child care homes with capacity to serve up to **920** children



121 license-exempt home caregivers serve around **289** children

Child Care Is Expensive for Many Families

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$108,438

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

Home-based: **\$9,645**

Center-based: **\$14,923**

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

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

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

Home-based: **\$8,690**

Center-based: **\$11,570**

This is **8%-11%** of a family's income.

Early Care and Education Programs Support Children and Families

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

2,115 children served

688 children age 0-2

699 children age 3-5

728 children age 6-12

\$7,606,150

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

404 children served

0 Prevention Initiative programs

0 children age 0-2

9 Preschool for All programs

404 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

0 children served

0 Early Head Start sites

0 children age 0-2

0 Head Start sites

0 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.