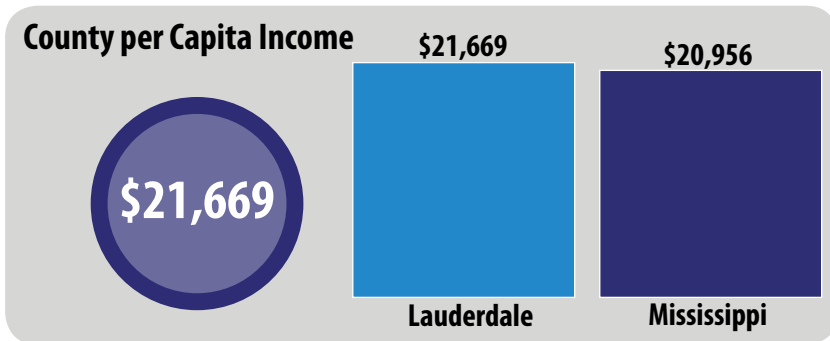
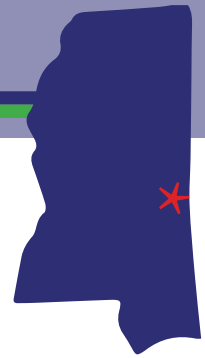
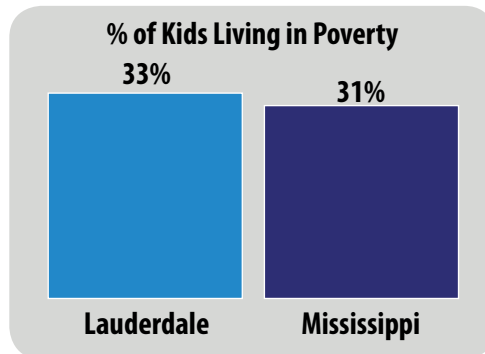


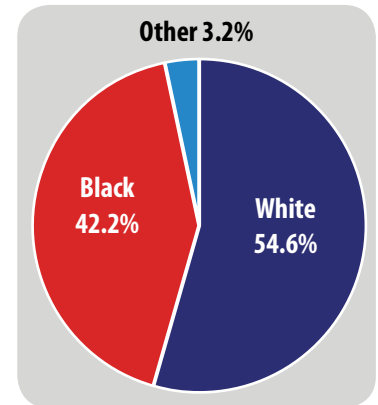
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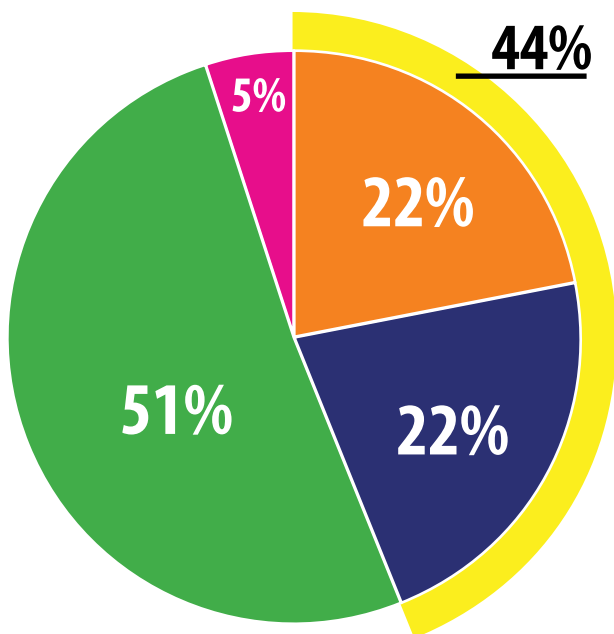
Percent of Kids Living in Single-Parent Households



Racial Breakdown of the County



Licensed Early Childhood Program Access for 4-Year-Olds in Lauderdale County



Estimated # of 4-Year-Olds: 1,074

Total Early Childhood Program Seats: 1,019

- % of Public Pre-K Seats
- % of Seats in District(s)
- % of Seats in Head Start
- % of Seats in Licensed Childcare
- % of 4-Year-Olds without Access to a Licensed Early Childhood Program

School Districts in Lauderdale County:

Lauderdale County School District
Meridian Public School District

Head Start Partner:

MS Action for Progress, Inc.

Total # of Licensed Childcare

Centers Serving 4-Year-Olds: 24

These numbers reflect the capacity of programs (available seats), not enrollment.



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The State of Licensed Childcare in Lauderdale County

277

4-Year-Old Enrollment

\$79.68

Avg. Tuition Cost per Week

547

Capacity of Licensed Childcare Sector to Serve 4-Year-Olds

36

of 4-Year-Olds Served by Childcare Certificates

12

of Centers in QRIS Serving 4-Year-Olds

24

Total # of Centers

Breakdown of Enrollment by Stars



Center	School District Affiliation	4-Yr.-Old Enrollment	4-Yr.-Old Capacity	Hours	Tuition Cost per Week	Financial Assistance	Accreditation or QRIS Rating	Meals	Types of Philosophy	Curriculum	Assessment
BARBARA HENSON'S NURSERY & PRE-K	Meridian Public School District	26	47	6:45 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$95.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Religious	A BEKA	Not Applicable
CENTRAL'S CHILDREN'S CENTER	Meridian Public School District	25	26	8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. (Tues., Weds. and Fri.), 8:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. (Mon. and Thurs.)	\$35.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Morning Snack	Other		Not Applicable
CHILDREN FIRST	Not Reported	16	16	6:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.							
CHILDREN'S EDUCATION CONNECTION	Lauderdale County School District	16	50	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$100.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Academic Emphasis	A BEKA	Not Applicable

The State of Licensed Childcare in Lauderdale County, continued

Center	School District Affiliation	4-Yr.-Old Enrollment	4-Yr.-Old Capacity	Hours	Tuition Cost per Week	Financial Assistance	Accreditation or QRIS Rating	Meals	Types of Philosophy	Curriculum	Assessment
CLARKDALE CHILDCARE CENTER	Lauderdale County School District	14	15	6:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$100.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Special Meal Request	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus	Creative Curriculum, HighReach Learning, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Not Applicable
CREATIVE KIDS DAYCARE	Lauderdale County School District	<5	<5	6:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.							
DADDY'S HANDS DAYCARE	Not Reported	16	16	6:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.			QRIS Participant				
DREAMS COME TRUE, LLC	Meridian Public School District	10	13	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$90.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus, Mixed-Age Grouping	A BEKA	Not Applicable
EXCELLENCE DAY CARE CENTER	Meridian Public School District	6	6	6:30 A.M. - 8:00 P.M.	\$75.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack, USDA Food Program	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus	Creative Curriculum, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Ages and Stages, Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
GREAT START LEARNING CENTER	Meridian Public School District	16	32	6:30 A.M. - 9:00 P.M.	\$85.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Dinner, Evening Snack	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus, Mixed-Age Grouping, Religious		Not Applicable
HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	Meridian Public School District	<5	50	7:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$100.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Child Development Focus, Religious	WEE Learn	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist

The State of Licensed Childcare in Lauderdale County, continued

Center	School District Affiliation	4-Yr.-Old Enrollment	4-Yr.-Old Capacity	Hours	Tuition Cost per Week	Financial Assistance	Accreditation or QRIS Rating	Meals	Types of Philosophy	Curriculum	Assessment
KIDZ WORLD LEARNING ACADEMY, INC	Meridian Public School District	<5	<5	6:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.	\$85.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 2-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack	Mixed-Age Grouping	A BEKA	Not Applicable
KINDERCARE LEARNING CENTER	Meridian Public School District	16	25	6:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$137.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 2-Star Center; NAEYC Accreditation	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus, Mixed-Age Grouping		Ages and Stages, Other
KINGDOM KIDS CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	Meridian Public School District	<5	<5	6:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$75.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Academic Emphasis, Religious		Not Applicable
LORD TEDDY BEAR DAY CARE #2	Not Reported	5	5	7:00 A.M. - 11:00 P.M.			QRIS Participant				
NINO CREATIVE LEARNING CHILDCARE CENTER	Meridian Public School District	8	47	6:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$80.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
NORTHCREST BAPTIST PRESCHOOL	Lauderdale County School District	34	34	7:45 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.	\$37.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Morning Snack	Child Development Focus, Religious		Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
NORTHEAST CHILD CARE CENTER	Lauderdale County School District	6	6	7:15 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.	\$60.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Child Development Focus, Mixed-Age Grouping	Creative Curriculum	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
ROSS COLLINS CHILD CARE	Meridian Public School District	<5	16	7:30 am - 4:00 P.M.	\$50.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Child Development Focus	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist

The State of Licensed Childcare in Lauderdale County, continued

Center	School District Affiliation	4-Yr.-Old Enrollment	4-Yr.-Old Capacity	Hours	Tuition Cost per Week	Financial Assistance	Accreditation or QRIS Rating	Meals	Types of Philosophy	Curriculum	Assessment
SMITH'S LEARNING CENTER	Meridian Public School District	10	10	6:45 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$85.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
SOUTHSIDE EDUCATIONAL COMMUNITY CENTER	Meridian Public School District	<5	<5	6:00 A.M. - 9:00 P.M.	\$70.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Dinner, Evening Snack	Child Development Focus, Mixed-Age Grouping	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
THE POTTER'S WHEEL CHRISTIAN DAY CARE	Lauderdale County School District	<5	80	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.		Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Special Meal Request	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus, Montessori, Religious	A BEKA, Montessori	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
UNITED METHODIST DAY SCHOOL	Meridian Public School District	16	18	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$100.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Other		Not Applicable
WESLEY HOUSE PRESCHOOL	Meridian Public School District	22	22	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$55.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus, Religious	Between the Lions	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist

The State of Public Pre-K Education in Lauderdale County School District (2014-2015)

Lauderdale County School District

K-12 School Funding: \$55,260,170.36

of Students in District: 6,600

District Rating



Instructional Expenditure per Pupil



% of Students Receiving Free/Reduced Lunch



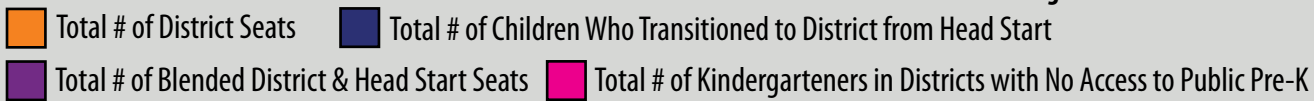
2015-2016 Access to Full-Year, Regular Education Pre-K

65

414

= 479
5-Year-Olds in Public Kindergarten 2015-2016

86% of Kindergarteners in the district did not have access to public pre-K.



On school registrations collected by MDE, parents indicated the following about Kindergarteners in the district:



16% of kids attended licensed childcare during their 4-year-old year.



34% of kids stayed at home during their 4-year-old year.



20% of kids attended private school during their 4-year-old year.



2% of parents did not respond to the survey.

Pre-K District Data

Total # of Students Served in the Classroom: 20*
Funding Sources:

Total Expenditure:
Cost per Child:

Summer Program: No
Length of Day:
Length of Year:

Quality Benchmarks for Full-Year, Regular Education Programs			
NIEER STANDARDS	QUALITY BENCHMARKS	DISTRICT DATA	MEETS STANDARD?
Early learning standards used	Comprehensive		
Teacher qualifications: -Degree	Bachelor's degree		
-Specialization	Early Childhood Education		
Assistant teacher degree	CDA or equivalent		
Teacher in-service	15 hrs/yr		
Max class size	20 or fewer		
Staff:child ratio	1:10		
Screenings/referral and support services	Vision, hearing, support services		
Meals	At least 1 per day		
Monitoring	Site visits		

*Lauderdale County School District served 20 4-year-old children in a program exclusively for students with special needs.

The State of Public Pre-K Education in Meridian Public School District (2014-2015)

Meridian Public School District

K-12 School Funding: \$58,521,811.97
of Students in District: 5,905

District Rating



Instructional Expenditure per Pupil



% of Students Receiving Free/Reduced Lunch



2015-2016 Access to Full-Year, Regular Education Pre-K



17% of Kindergarteners in the district did not have access to public pre-K.

- Total # of District Seats
- Total # of Children Who Transitioned to District from Head Start
- Total # of Blended District & Head Start Seats
- Total # of Kindergarteners in Districts with No Access to Public Pre-K

On school registrations collected by MDE, parents indicated the following about Kindergarteners in the district:



6% of kids attended licensed childcare during their 4-year-old year.



14% of kids stayed at home during their 4-year-old year.



<5% of kids attended private school during their 4-year-old year.



29% of parents did not respond to the survey.

Pre-K District Data

Total # of Students Served in the Classroom: 220
Funding Sources: Title I

Total Expenditure: \$919,667
Cost per Child: \$4,180.30

Summer Program: No
Length of Day: 7.25 hours
Length of Year: August-May

Quality Benchmarks for Full-Year, Regular Education Programs			
NIEER STANDARDS	QUALITY BENCHMARKS	DISTRICT DATA	MEETS STANDARD?
Early learning standards used	Comprehensive	MDE 4-Year-Old Standards	✓
Teacher qualifications: -Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	✓
-Specialization	Early Childhood Education	Elementary Education	
Assistant teacher degree	CDA or equivalent	Highly Qualified Paraprofessional	
Teacher in-service	15 hrs/yr	35 hours/year	✓
Max class size	20 or lower	20	✓
Staff:child ratio	1:10	1:10	✓
Screenings/referral and support services	Vision, health, support services	Vision, hearing, & parent education, parent conferences, & home visits	
Meals	At least 1 per day	At least 1 meal/day	✓
Site visits to monitor program quality by the Dept. of Education	Site visits by MDE	Site visits	✓
			7/10