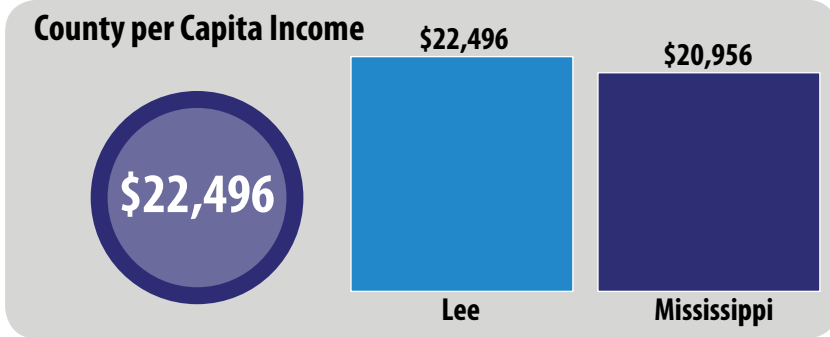
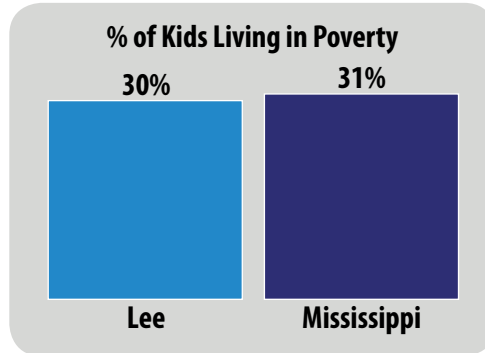


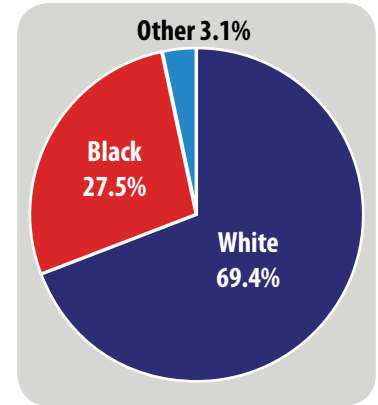
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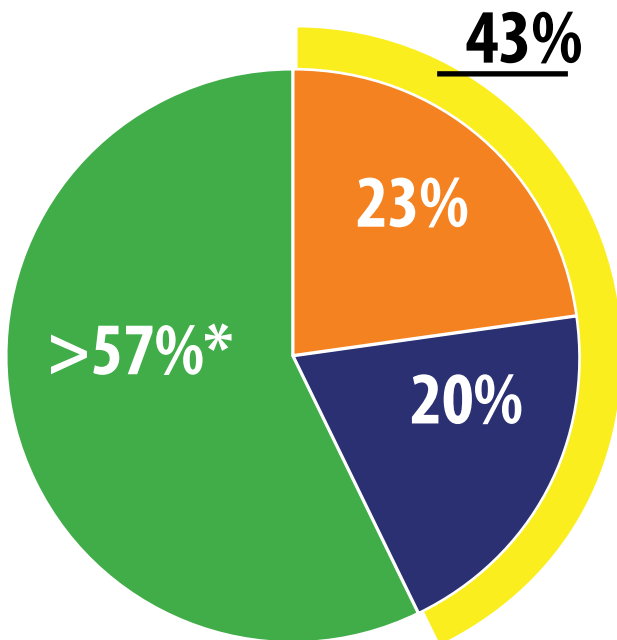
Percent of Kids Living in Single-Parent Households



Racial Breakdown of the County



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



Estimated # of 4-Year-Olds: 1,150

Total Early Childhood Program Seats: 1,298

*The licensed childcare sector has the capacity to serve 68% of 4-year-old children in Lee County.

- % 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 Lee County:

- Baldwyn School District
- Lee County School District
- Tupelo Public School District

Head Start Partner:

MS Action for Progress, Inc.

Total # of Licensed Childcare Centers Serving 4-Year-Olds: 55

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



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The State of Licensed Childcare in Lee County

613

4-Year-Old Enrollment

\$76.08

Avg. Tuition Cost per Week

781

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

36

of 4-Year-Olds Served by Childcare Certificates

27

of Centers in QRIS Serving 4-Year-Olds

55

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
A RAINBOW OF LOVE & CHILDCARE LEARNING CENTER	Not Reported	10	10	6:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.							
ALL GOD'S CHILDREN CHILD CARE AND PRESCHOOL	Lee County School District	22	22	5:15 A.M. - 8:00 P.M.	\$80.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 4-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Dinner, USDA Food Program	Child Development Focus	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
BEAUTIFUL MINDS CHILDCARE AND LEARNING CENTER	Not Reported	<5	<5	6:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.			QRIS Participant				
BEST EVER LEARNING CENTER	Tupelo Public School District	<5	9	6:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$76.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Child Development Focus	A BEKA, Creative Curriculum	Ages and Stages, Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
BROWN BEAR CHILD CARE AND LEARNING CENTER	Lee County School District	10	10	5:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$75.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack, USDA Food Program	Child Development Focus	Creative Curriculum	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist

The State of Licensed Childcare in Lee 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
CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH CASA	Not Reported	11	11	7:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. (summer); 2:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M. (school year)		Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Afternoon Snack			
CALVARY BAPTIST KINDERGARTEN & PRESCHOOL	Lee County School District	46	46	8:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. (Mon. - Weds.); 8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. (Thurs. & Fri.)	\$80.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Morning Snack	Academic Emphasis, Religious	A BEKA, Using the Early Learning Guidelines, WEE Learn	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
CHANGING LIVES DAYCARE	Lee County School District	6	10	6:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$70.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus, Religious	A BEKA	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
COLOR MY WORLD	Tupelo Public School District	15	16	5:45 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$85.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, USDA Food Program	Child Development Focus	Creative Curriculum	
EAST HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH WEEKDAY	Tupelo Public School District	17	22	7:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$70.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack	Child Development Focus, Religious	WEE Learn	Ages and Stages, Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
EAST HEIGHTS CHILD NURSERY	Tupelo Public School District	6	6	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.		Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus, Religious	A BEKA, Creative Curriculum, Using the Early Learning Guidelines, WEE Learn	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist

The State of Licensed Childcare in Lee 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
FAYE'S PLAYHOUSE & LEARNING CENTER	Lee County School District	14	14	5:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.		Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, USDA Food Program	Child Development Focus	Between the Lions, Creative Curriculum	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
FIRST BAPTIST DAY SCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN	Tupelo Public School District	12	27	7:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.		Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Morning Snack	Child Development Focus, Religious	WEE Learn	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist, Other
FIRST FRIENDS, LLC CHILD CARE AND LEARNING CENTER	Tupelo Public School District	9	16	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$70.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack		Creative Curriculum	
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN PRESCHOOL	Tupelo Public School District	14	16	8:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.				Morning Snack, Lunch	Child Development Focus, Religious	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
FIRST UMC KID'S PAD	Lee County School District	28	28	9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. (Mon., Weds., & Fri.), 9:00 a.m - 2:00 P.M. (Tues. & Thurs.)		Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Other		
FOR LITTLE PEOPLE ONLY DAYCARE	Lee County School District	<5	10	6:30 A.M. - 5:15 P.M.	\$80.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, USDA Food Program	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	
GENESIS CHILDCARE & LEARNING CENTER	Lee County School District/ Tupelo Public School District	7	11	5:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$78.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Child Development Focus	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
GIGGLES 'N' GRINS PRESCHOOL AND EARLY EDUCATION CENTER	Not Reported	5	5	6:30 A.M. - 6:30 P.M.			QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center				

The State of Licensed Childcare in Lee 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
GOD'S CREATION LEARNING CENTER	Not Reported	<5	<5	6:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.			QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center				
HAPPY FEET DAYCARE & LEARNING CENTER	Lee County School District	5	5	6:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$75.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Morning Snack, 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
HARRISBURG DAY SCHOOL	Tupelo Public School District	29	36	7:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$90.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Child Development Focus, Religious		Ages and Stages
HAVEN ACRES	Lee County School District	34	36	7:30 A.M. - 2:30 P.M.		Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Child Development Focus		Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
IN HIS HANDS CHILDCARE & LEARNING CENTER	Not Reported	5	5	5:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$75.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack			Not Applicable
IT'S A SMALL WORLD	Lee County School District	9	9	6:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$76.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack		Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
ITAWAMBA COMMUNITY COLLEGE EARLY LEARNING CENTER	Lee County School District	8	8	7:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.	\$60.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Child Development Focus	Creative Curriculum, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
KID'S LANDING CHILD CARE & LEARNING CENTER	Tupelo Public School District	10	15	6:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$78.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 2-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack, USDA Food Program	Child Development Focus	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Ages and Stages, Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
KIDDIE KASTLE PRESCHOOL	Lee County School District	<5	12	6:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.	\$75.00			Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, USDA Food Program	Child Development Focus	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	

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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
KIDS LANDING TOO	Lee County School District	13	14	6:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$75.00		QRIS Participant; 2-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack, Special Meal Request, USDA Food Program	Child Development Focus		Ages and Stages, Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
KIDS' WORLD	Lee County School District	24	32	6:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$80.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 3-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Dinner, USDA Food Program	Child Development Focus		Early Learning Guidelines Checklist, Other
KIDS' WORLD TUPELO	Not Reported	7	8	6:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$75.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack		Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
KIDZ TYME DAYCARE	Tupelo Public School District	11	18	6:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$76.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Mixed-Age Grouping		
LIL LEAP ACADEMY, INC	Lee County School District	<5	<5	6:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$70.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Religious	Creative Curriculum	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
LITTLE ANGELS LEARNING & CHILD CARE CENTER	Tupelo Public School District	22	22	5:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.		Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Dinner, Evening Snack, USDA Food Program	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus	A BEKA, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
LITTLE ANGELS LEARNING AND CHILD CARE CENTER #3	Tupelo Public School District	17	17	5:30 A.M. - 6:30 P.M.	\$77.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Dinner, Evening Snack, USDA Food Program	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus	A BEKA	
LITTLE EAGLES PLAYHOUSE	Lee County School District	13	21	6:15 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$75.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Other	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist

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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
MINI MIRACLES	Not Reported	10	10	6:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.			QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center				
MONTESSORI SCHOOL OF TUPELO	Lee County School District	<5	16	7:45 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$141.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Mixed-Age Grouping, Montessori	Montessori	
MOOREVILLE CHRISTIAN CHILD CARE AND PRESCHOOL	Not Reported	<5	<5	5:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.			QRIS Participant				
MY CASA DE MONTESSORI	Not Reported	<5	<5	7:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.							
NALA CHILD CARE	Lee County School District	<5	5	6:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$76.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Child Development Focus	HighReach Learning	Ages and Stages
NETTLETON FIRST BAPTIST WEEKDAY EARLY EDUCATION	Lee County School District	14	16	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$80.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Special Meal Request	Academic Emphasis, Religious	A BEKA	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
NOAH'S ARK DAY CARE	Lee County School District	8	18	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$65.00			Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Child Development Focus	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	
NORTH MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL CTR. CHILD CARE	Tupelo Public School District	30	36	5:45 A.M. - 7:30 P.M.	\$70.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Dinner, Evening Snack	Child Development Focus	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
OUR FUTURE YOUTH	Not Reported	<5	<5	6:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.							

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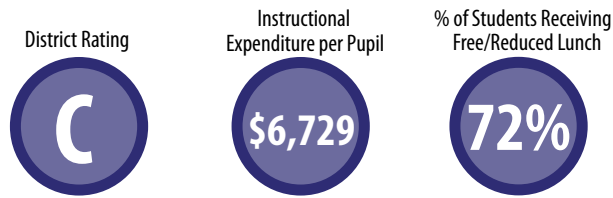
Center	School District Affiliation	4-Yr.-Old Enrollment	4-Yr.-Old Capacity	Hours	Tuition Cost per Week	Financial Assistance	Accreditation or QRIS Rating	Meals	Types of Philosophy	Curriculum	Assessment
PATHWAY MONTESSORI SCHOOL	Not Reported	<5	<5	9:00 A.M. - 2:30 P.M.	\$75.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Morning Snack, Lunch			
PRECIOUS HANDS DAYCARE AND LEARNING CENTER	Lee County School District	8	19	5:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$82.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 3-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, USDA Food Program		Using the Early Learning Guidelines	
PRECIOUS LITTLE PEOPLE DAY CARE & LEARNING CENTER	Tupelo Public School District	<5	<5	6:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.	\$75.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, USDA Food Program	Child Development Focus	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
PREMIER CHILDCARE AND LEARNING CENTER	Not Reported	<5	<5	5:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$70.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack		Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
RABBIT PATCH DAY CARE	Tupelo Public School District	6	14	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$80.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack	Child Development Focus	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	
ST. LUKE SMALL MIRACLES PRESCHOOL AND MOTHER'S DAY OUT	Lee County School District	12	12	8:30 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. (Tues., Weds., & Thurs. only)	\$23.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Afternoon Snack	Religious		Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
STEPPING STONES	Not Reported	13	13	6:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$75.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack		Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
TENDER CARE LEARNING CENTER	Lee County School District	14	15	5:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$77.00	Sliding Rate Scale, Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, USDA Food Program	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	
WILDWOOD DAYCARE AND LEARNING CENTER	Lee County School District	14	26	6:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$80.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack		Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist

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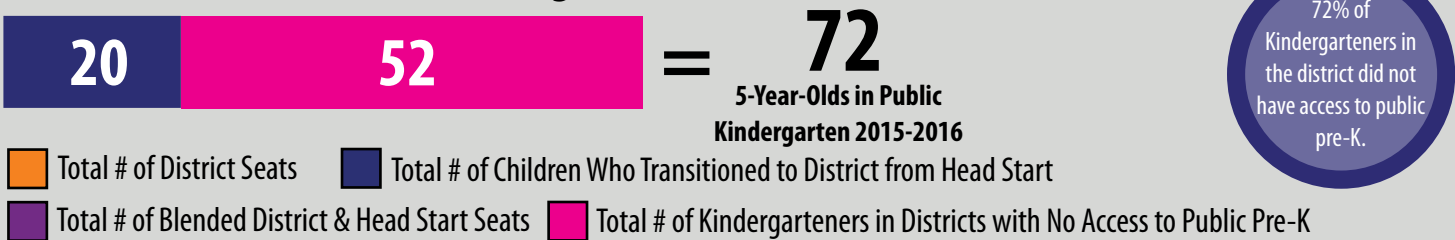
Center	School District Affiliation	4-Yr.-Old Enrollment	4-Yr.-Old Capacity	Hours	Tuition Cost per Week	Financial Assistance	Accreditation or QRIS Rating	Meals	Types of Philosophy	Curriculum	Assessment
WISHING WELLS	Tupelo Public School District	<5	<5	6:30 A.M. - 5:45 P.M.	\$77.00	Sliding Rate Scale, Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack, USDA Food Program	Child Development Focus, Mixed-Age Grouping, Religious	Kidz Spark!, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Ages and Stages

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

Baldwin School District
 K-12 School Funding: \$8,286,114.22
 # of Students in District: 818



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



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



33% of kids attended licensed childcare during their 4-year-old year.



25% of kids stayed at home during their 4-year-old year.



0% of kids attended private school during their 4-year-old year.



21% of parents did not respond to the survey.

Pre-K District Data
 Total # of Students Served in the Classroom:
 Total Expenditure: \$1,250*
 Summer Program: No
 Funding Sources: Title I
 Cost per Child:
 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 lower		
Staff:child ratio	1:10		
Screenings/referral and support services	vision, hearing, social services		
Meals	At least 1 per day		
Monitoring	Site visits		

*District uses funds to support local Head Start program.

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

Lee County School District
 K-12 School Funding: \$60,137,308.99
 # of Students in District: 7,089



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



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



23% of kids attended licensed childcare during their 4-year-old year.



17% of kids stayed at home during their 4-year-old year.



16% of kids attended private school during their 4-year-old year.



18% of parents did not respond to the survey.

Pre-K District Data

Total # of Students Served in the Classroom: _____
 Total Expenditure: _____
 Cost per Child: _____
 Summer Program: _____
 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	25		
Staff:child ratio	1:10		
Screenings/referral and support services	Vision hearing support services		
Meals	At least 1 per day		
Monitoring	Site visits		

NO FULL-YEAR PROGRAM

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

Tupelo Public School District
 K-12 School Funding: \$75,145,325.18
 # of Students in District: 7,277

District Rating



Instructional Expenditure per Pupil



% of Students Receiving Free/Reduced Lunch



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



35% 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:



18% of kids attended licensed childcare during their 4-year-old year.



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



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



11% of parents did not respond to the survey.

Pre-K District Data

Total # of Students Served in the Classroom: 230
 Total Expenditure: \$1,110,474.55
 Cost per Child: \$4,828.12
 Summer Program: No
 Length of Day: 6.75 hours
 Length of Year: August-May
 Funding Sources: Title I

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	12 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	Parent education & parent conferences	
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		✓
			6/10