

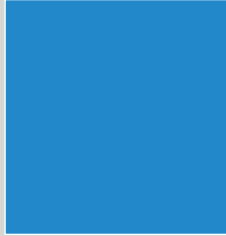
Lowndes County Data (2014-2015)



County per Capita Income



\$21,213



Lowndes

\$20,956



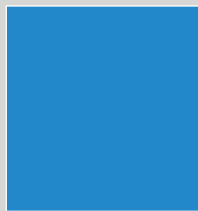
Mississippi

Percent of Kids Living in Single-Parent Households



% of Kids Living in Poverty

34%



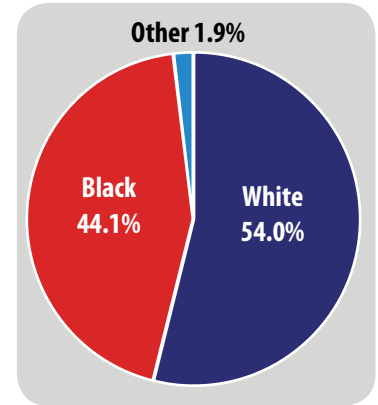
Lowndes

31%

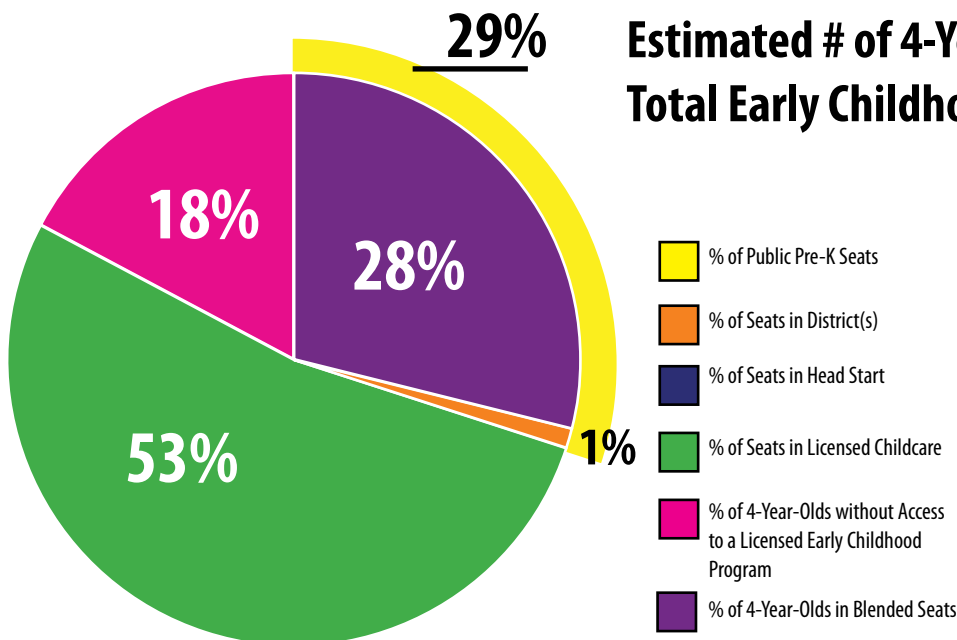


Mississippi

Racial Breakdown of the County



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



Estimated # of 4-Year-Olds: 776

Total Early Childhood Program Seats: 641

- % 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
- % of 4-Year-Olds in Blended Seats

School Districts in Lowndes County:

Columbus Municipal School District

Lowndes County School District

Head Start Partner:

ICS Head Start

Total # of Licensed Childcare

Centers Serving 4-Year-Olds: 35

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



The State of Licensed Childcare in Lowndes County

250 4-Year-Old Enrollment

\$78.35 Avg. Tuition Cost per Week

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

38 # of 4-Year-Olds Served by Childcare Certificates

11 # of Centers in QRIS Serving 4-Year-Olds

35 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
ABC & ME CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL	Lowndes County	17	19	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$110.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus, Religious	A BEKA, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
ABUNDANTLY JOYFUL CHRISTIAN LEARNING CENTER	Lowndes County	<5	6	6:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.		Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 3-Star Center	Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack, USDA Food Program	Academic Emphasis, Religious	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
AGAPE CHILD CARE & LEARNING CENTER	Lowndes County	6	26	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$77.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Child Development Focus	A BEKA, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist

The State of Licensed Childcare in Lowndes 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
ANGELA'S CARE & LEARNING CENTER	Lowndes County	<5	25	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$50.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Child Development Focus, Mixed-Age Grouping, Religious	A BEKA, Creative Curriculum, Mother Goose, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Ages and Stages, Early Learning Guidelines Checklist, Get Ready to Read!
BRIGHT BEGINNINGS DAYCARE	Lowndes County	11	11	7:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.							
CHARITY VILLAGE CHRISTIAN DAYCARE & LNG CENTER	Lowndes County	<5	9	7:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.	\$100.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Special Meal Request	Academic Emphasis, Other	A BEKA, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
CHILD AND PARENT DEVELOPMENT CENTER	Lowndes County	16	16	7:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$90.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
CHILDREN FIRST LEARNING DEVELOPMENT CENTER	Lowndes County	<5	<5	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.		Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack, Special Meal Request	Child Development Focus, Mixed-Age Grouping, Religious	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Ages and Stages
CHRISTIAN ACADEMY FOR CHILDREN	Lowndes County	6	6	6:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.							

The State of Licensed Childcare in Lowndes 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
COLUMBUS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL	Lowndes County	18	40	6:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$95.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Dinner, USDA Food Program	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus, Religious	A BEKA, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
DAYSTAR CHILDCARE AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER	Not Reported	8	8	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.			QRIS Participant; 3-Star Center				
EVANS CHRISTIAN DAY CARE LEARNING CENTER	Lowndes County	<5	5	6:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.	\$85.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Special Meal Request	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus, Religious	A BEKA, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHILD CARE	Columbus Municipal	6	20	6:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	\$95.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Special Meal Request, USDA Food Program		A BEKA, Creative Curriculum	
FIRST BAPTIST W.E.E. SCHOOL	Lowndes County	5	14	7:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$100.00		QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack	Academic Emphasis, Religious	A BEKA, WEE Learn	
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM	Columbus Municipal	9	10	8:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.	\$37.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Morning Snack	Child Development Focus, Religious	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist, Other

The State of Licensed Childcare in Lowndes 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
FIRST STEPS CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	Not Reported	<5	<5	8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.							
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH EARLY LEARNING CENTER	Lowndes County	10	20	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$105.00			Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Child Development Focus, Religious	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist, Other
GHOLARS CHILDCARE FACILITY	Lowndes County	<5	<5	7:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.							
JINGLE BELL PRESCHOOL	Lowndes County	6	6	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.							
LISA'S CHRISTIAN LEARNING CENTER	Lowndes County	<5	<5	6:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$72.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, USDA Food Program	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus, Religious	Creative Curriculum, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
LOVE AND LEARN DAY CARE	Lowndes County	<5	20	6:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.	\$78.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 5-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack	Child Development Focus	Between the Lions, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
MAIN STREET CHRISTIAN SCHOOL	Lowndes County	9	9	8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.							
OPEN ARMS CHRISTIAN LEARNING CENTER	Lowndes County	6	6	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.		Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Child Development Focus, Religious	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist

The State of Licensed Childcare in Lowndes 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
PRIDE & JOY #II	Lowndes County	5	10	6:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.	\$50.00						
PRIDE AND JOY CHRISTIAN DAY CARE	Lowndes County	<5	12	6:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.	\$60.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Special Meal Request	Child Development Focus, Religious	A BEKA, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Ages and Stages, Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
S & L CHRISTIAN LEARNING CENTER	Lowndes County	12	12	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.							
SAL'S CHILDCARE & LEARNING CENTER	Not Reported	5	5	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.							
ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL SCHOOL	Columbus Municipal	9	12	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$100.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Religious	HighReach Learning, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist, Get Ready to Read!
STEWART'S LEARNING CENTER, INC.	Columbus Municipal	<5	<5	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$55.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus, Mixed-Age Grouping	Creative Curriculum, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist

The State of Licensed Childcare in Lowndes 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
TENDER LOVING CARE CREATIVE LEARNING CTR.	Lowndes County	10	10	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$88.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Special Meal Request, USDA Food Program	Child Development Focus, Other	A BEKA, Creative Curriculum, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Ages and Stages, Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
THIRD AVENUE KIDDIE KORNER	Lowndes County	6	6	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$60.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, USDA Food Program		A BEKA, Using the Early Learning Guidelines	
TOMORROW'S PRIDE	Lowndes County	16	20	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$95.00	Does Not Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Morning Snack, Lunch, Afternoon Snack	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus		
TUCKER'S PLAY AND LEARN	Lowndes County	10	10	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$65.00	Sliding Rate Scale, Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates		Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack	Academic Emphasis, Child Development Focus, Mixed-Age Grouping		Early Learning Guidelines Checklist
UNITED CHRISTIAN CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	Lowndes County	6	11	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$65.00	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	
YOUNG'S CHRISTIAN ACADEMY	Columbus Municipal	15	15	6:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.	\$70.00	Willing to Accept Childcare Certificates	QRIS Participant; 1-Star Center	Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Evening Snack, Special Meal Request	Child Development Focus, Religious	Using the Early Learning Guidelines	Early Learning Guidelines Checklist

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

Columbus Municipal School District

K-12 School Funding: \$43,398,117.89

of Students in District: 4,351

District Rating



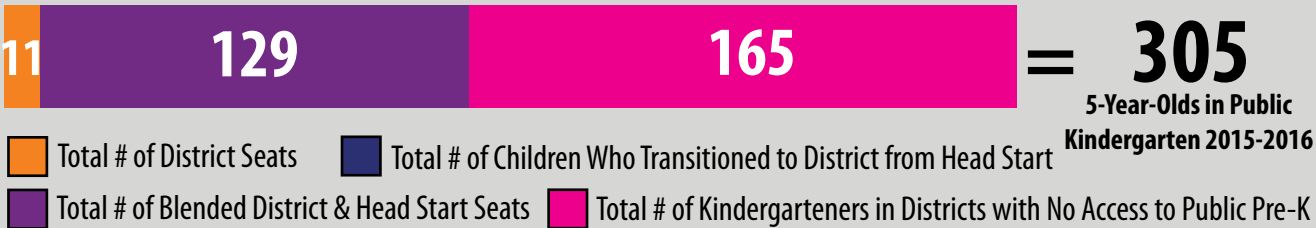
Instructional Expenditure per Pupil



% of Students Receiving Free/Reduced Lunch



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



54% 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:



10% of kids attended licensed childcare during their 4-year-old year.



18% of kids stayed at home during their 4-year-old year.



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



14% of parents did not respond to the survey.

Pre-K District Data

Total # of Students Served in the Classroom: 140
Funding Sources: Title I

Total Expenditure: \$400,000
Cost per Child: \$2,857.14

Summer Program: No
Length of Day: 6 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	Both Early Learning Standards for 4-Year-Olds & Head Start Performance Standards	✓
Teacher qualifications: -Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	✓
-Specialization	Early Childhood Education	Early Childhood	✓
Assistant teacher degree	CDA or equivalent	Highly Qualified Paraprofessional	✓
Teacher in-service	15 hrs/yr	15 hrs/yr	✓
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	✓
Meals	At least 1 per day	At least 1 per day	✓
Monitoring	Site visits	Site visits	✓
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The State of Public Pre-K Education in Lowndes County School District (2014-2015)

Lowndes County School District

K-12 School Funding: \$51,028,280.28

of Students in District: 5,178

District Rating



Instructional Expenditure per Pupil



% of Students Receiving Free/Reduced Lunch



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



75% 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:



30% of kids attended licensed childcare during their 4-year-old year.



18% of kids stayed at home during their 4-year-old year.



6% of kids attended private school during their 4-year-old year.



3% of parents did not respond to the survey.

Pre-K District Data

Total # of Students Served in the Classroom: 80
Funding Sources: Title I & Local District Funds

Total Expenditure: \$275,000
Cost per Child: \$3,437.50

Summer Program: No
Length of Day: 6.75 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 & Early Childhood	✓
Assistant teacher degree	CDA or equivalent	Highly Qualified Paraprofessional	✓
Teacher in-service	15 hrs/yr	30 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, health, parent education, parent conference, & home visit	✓
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	✓
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