

Utah

NO PROGRAM

While Utah does not have a state-funded pre-K program meeting the criteria of this report in 2013-2014, in 2014 the state approved future investment in some early learning programming through a partnership between businesses and the state. The Utah School Readiness Initiative (HB96) was signed by Governor Herbert into law. It will allow the newly created School Readiness Board to enter into results-based financing contracts with private entities, to fund high-quality early childhood education programs with a proven record to serve at-risk students; creates grant funding for existing public and private early education programs to increase quality; and funds independent evaluation. The bill also details components of high quality programs, as well as home-based educational technology programs that may enter into a results-based contract with the board. The initiative will begin serving children in the 2014-2015 school year.

The state has also released its Early Childhood Core Standards, which cover multiple domains including: physical well-being and motor development; social-emotional development; approaches toward learning; language development; and cognitive and general knowledge. Revised standards were introduced in 2013 and provide strategies and activities aligned with these domains. The State Board of Education will establish a timeline for further review of core curriculum standards for early childhood education.

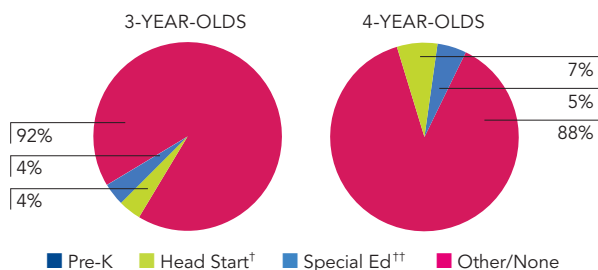
ACCESS RANKINGS	
4-YEAR-OLDS	3-YEAR-OLDS
No Program	

RESOURCES RANKINGS	
STATE SPENDING	ALL REPORTED SPENDING
No Program	

ACCESS

Total state program enrollment	0
School districts that offer state program	NA
Income requirement	NA
Hours of operation	NA
Operating schedule.....	NA
Special education enrollment	5,725
Federally funded Head Start enrollment	5,625
State-funded Head Start enrollment	0

STATE PRE-K AND HEAD START ENROLLMENT AS PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL POPULATION



† Some Head Start children may also be counted in state pre-K.
 †† Estimates children in special education not also enrolled in state pre-K or Head Start.

QUALITY STANDARDS CHECKLIST

TOTAL BENCHMARKS MET

No Program

RESOURCES

Total state pre-K spending	\$0
Local match required?	NA
State spending per child enrolled	\$0
All reported spending per child enrolled*	\$0

* Pre-K programs may receive additional funds from federal or local sources that are not included in this figure.
 ** Head Start per-child spending for the 2012-2013 year includes funding only for 3- and 4-year-olds served. Past years figured have unintentionally included funds for Early Head Start.
 *** K-12 expenditures include capital spending as well as current operating expenditures. Data are for the '12-'13 school year, unless otherwise noted.

SPENDING PER CHILD ENROLLED

