

## NO PROGRAM

While Guam does not provide state-funded pre-K as defined in this report, the state addresses early education through several initiatives. The Guam Department of Education serves as the grantee for the federally funded Head Start and Early Head Start programs, contributing 20 percent toward program costs. Head Start programs operate as part of most elementary schools in Guam, open on a school-year calendar.

Children eligible for early childhood special education receive services through the Guam Department of Education, Division of Special Education, which administers IDEA, Part B for children ages 3 through 5 years. The agency also oversees the Guam Early Intervention System (GEIS) for young children from birth to 3 years who have, or are at risk for, developmental delays and disabilities.

The Guam Early Learning Council, established in 2008, serves as the state early childhood advisory council and collaborating entity for the early childhood system. The Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities, Education, Research, and Service (Guam CEDDERS) at the University of Guam serves as the lead agency to coordinate council activities, with representation from the Department of Education and Department of Public Health and Social Services.

The Guam Early Learning Guidelines for Young Children Ages Three to Five, developed in 2005, address multiple domains including: physical development and health and safety; self-concept and social-emotional development; communication, language development, and literacy; and cognitive development. Guidelines for infants and toddlers also have been developed. A revised kindergarten entrance assessment aligned with the Common Core State Standards is under consideration.

The Guam Evaluation and Improvement Rating System (GEIRS), intended to provide a systematic means for identifying, evaluating, and improving the quality of early childhood programs, is currently being developed.

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.....	
Federally funded Head Start enrollment .....	534
State-funded Head Start enrollment .....	0

## QUALITY STANDARDS CHECKLIST

## RESOURCES

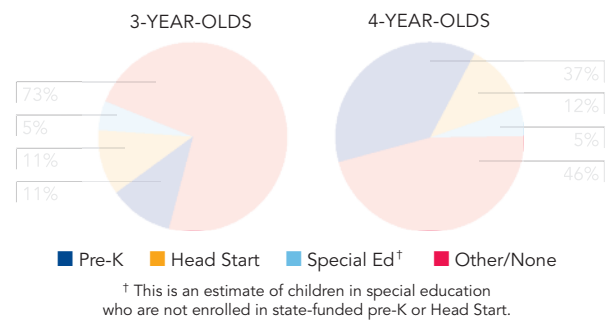
Total state pre-K spending .....	\$0
Local match required? .....	NA
State spending per child enrolled .....	\$0
All reported spending per child enrolled* .....	\$0

\* 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.

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



TOTAL BENCHMARKS MET

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SPENDING PER CHILD ENROLLED

