

Utah

# NO PROGRAM

While Utah does not have a state-funded pre-K program meeting the criteria of this report, 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 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; 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 in a results-based contract with the board. The initiative is set to begin serving children in the 2014-2015 school year, though regulations are still being developed.

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.

Data from the U.S. Department of Education indicate that at least 6,367 general education students were enrolled in district-operated preschool programs in the 2011-2012 school year.

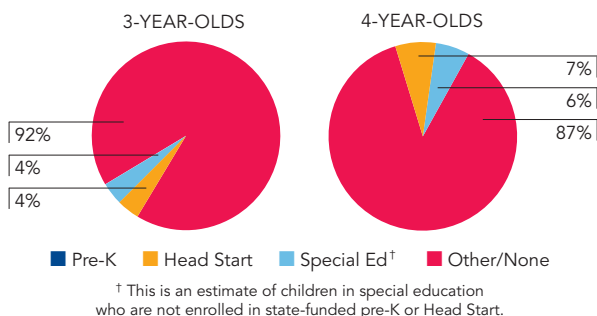
ACCESS RANKINGS	
4-YEAR-OLDS	3-YEAR-OLDS
No Program	

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 .....	6,003
Federally funded Head Start enrollment .....	5,790
State-funded Head Start enrollment .....	0

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



## 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

