

State of Early Learning in Nevada and Ongoing Programs



Successful Early Learners

Early childhood is defined as the period from birth to age eight, while also recognizing the importance of quality prenatal care in early childhood outcomes.



Concrete skills:

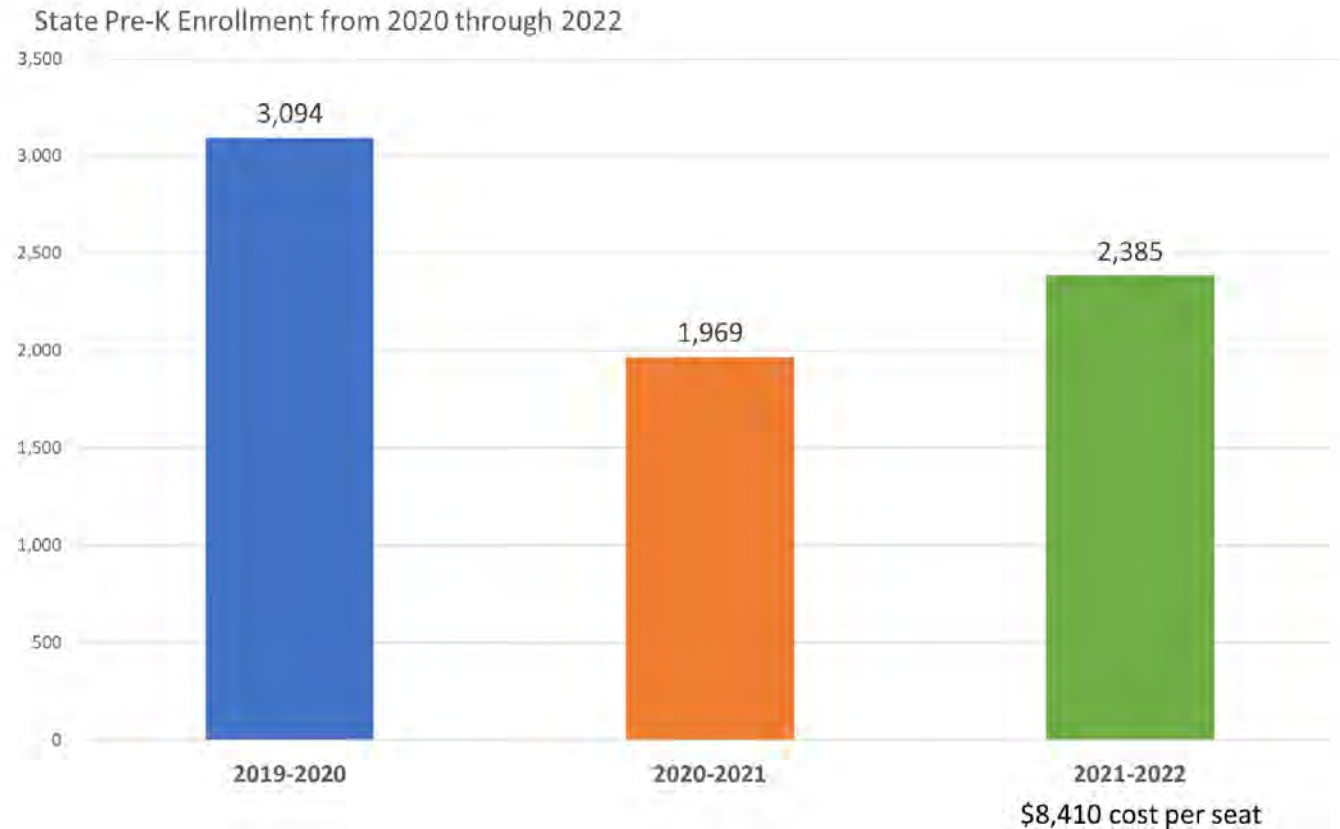
Letters
Sounds
Numbers
("School Readiness")

Underlying skills:

Broad vocabulary
Interest in language
Curiosity
Persistence
Attentiveness
Incidental learning
Drive to learn
Predictability
Memory
Self control

Nevada Ready! State Pre-Kindergarten (NR!PK)

- Number of Children Served in 2021-22 School Year: 2,385
- Total Budget: \$21,584,408 at \$8,410 per seat
- WestEd – Cost of Pre-K Analysis
- Number of Sub-grantees: 13
- The State Pre-K Family Engagement Survey in 2020-21: 1,195 participants completed the survey



NR!PK Data

Infinite Campus Early Learning District is being utilized for children not enrolled in LEA programs.

Monitor indicators such as early childhood funding sources through K-12 that otherwise would not be captured outside of Nevada LEAs.

The Early Learning Tab, a module for Infinite Campus, is being used to track funding sources in early childhood settings such as State Pre-K, Head Start, Zoom, etc.

Office of Early Learning and Development: Systems of Support



Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS)

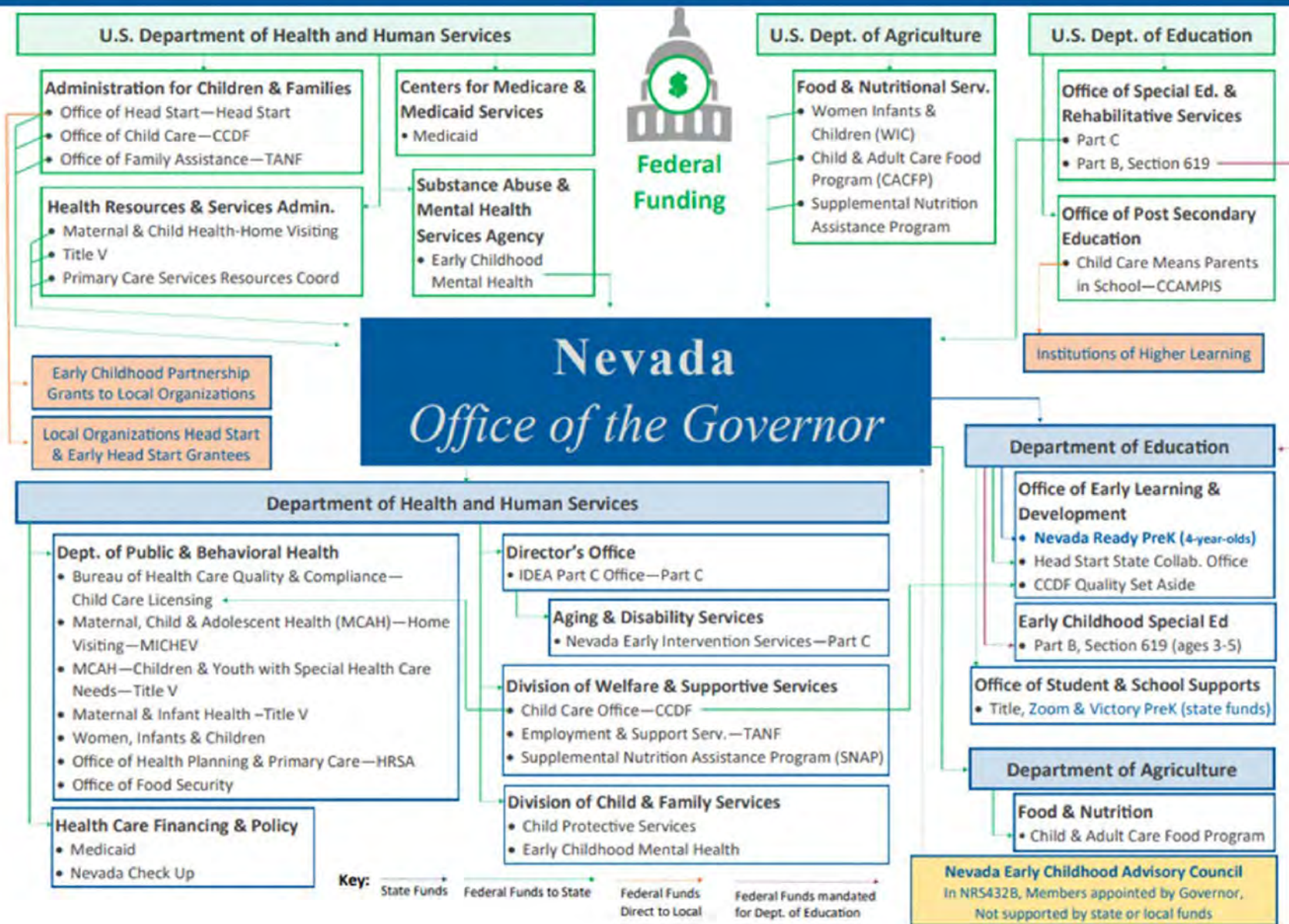
Nevada Kindergarten Transition Plan

Kindergarten Readiness Request for Proposal

Pre-K to 3rd Grade Leadership Academy Cohort

Developmentally Appropriate Practices (DAP) Kindergarten Cohort

Funding the Comprehensive Early Childhood System in Nevada (Birth—Age 5)



Strengthening and Expanding Ongoing Programs and Supports

- Subsidy
- Resource & Referral – Nevadachildcare.org
- Quality Rating Improvement System / Nevada Pyramid Model Integration & Expansion
- Individualized Support for Children Experiencing Developmental Delays and/or Special Needs
- Community Health Workers in Early Childhood
- Nevada Strong Start Child Care Services Center
- Employer Child Care Development
- Early Childhood Support Network
- Family Engagement
- Data Systems Improvement
- Communication & Outreach Campaign
- Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Building
- ARP Stabilization Stipends
- Start-Up Grants
- Emergency Grants
- Infant-Toddler Expansion Grants
- Background Check Fee Assistance

HRSA Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems – Health Integration Grant

- To build integrated maternal and early childhood systems of care that are equitable, sustainable, comprehensive, and inclusive of the health system, and that promote early developmental health and family well-being and increase family-centered access to care and engagement of the prenatal-to-3 year old (P-3) population.
- A maternal and early childhood system of care brings together health, early care and education, child welfare, and other human services and family support program partners – as well as community leaders, families, and other stakeholders – to achieve agreed-upon goals for thriving children and families.

HRSA ECCS Grant - Goals

- Increase state-level infrastructure & capacity in Nevada to strengthen statewide maternal & early childhood systems of care.
- Increase coordination & alignment between maternal and child health and other statewide systems that impact young children & families to advance a common vision for early developmental health and family well-being in Nevada.
- Increase the capacity of health and early childhood systems in NV to deliver and effectively connect families to a continuum of services that promote early developmental health and family well-being, beginning prenatally.
- Identify and implement policy and financing strategies that support the funding and sustainability of multigenerational, preventive services and systems for the P-3 population in Nevada.
- Increase state-level capacity to advance equitable and improved access to services for underserved P-3 populations.



Nevada Early Childhood
Advisory Council

Coordinated System to Support Nevada's Young Children and their Families

- **The Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council (ECAC)** is a diverse group of community, education, government, nonprofit, parent, and provider representatives that are appointed by Nevada's Governor. Founded in 2009 by an executive order, the Nevada ECAC was later established in statute by the 2013 Nevada Legislative Session and Governor Sandoval.

Early Childhood System Focus

- The data evidence needed for a **comprehensive system** that links young children and families to needed health, education, and social services at the community, state, and federal level. These services are only effective if families know about them. At the same time, providers need to know what support exists in their communities in order to connect families with the resources they urgently need.

This is why a coordinated system is so vital!



Strategic Framework



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2022-2024 ECAC Strategic Plan

Goal 1: Create a Coordinated Early Childhood Leadership Infrastructure

Goal 2: Increase Coordination and Alignment Between Systems of Care for Young Children and Families

Goal 3: Increase Capacity to Equitably Connect Families with the Early Childhood System Continuum of Care and Community At Large

Goal 4: Identify Budget and Finance Strategies to Drive Policy Goals and Objectives

Goal 5: Execute Data Collection and Integrated Systems to Increase Equity and Accountability



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