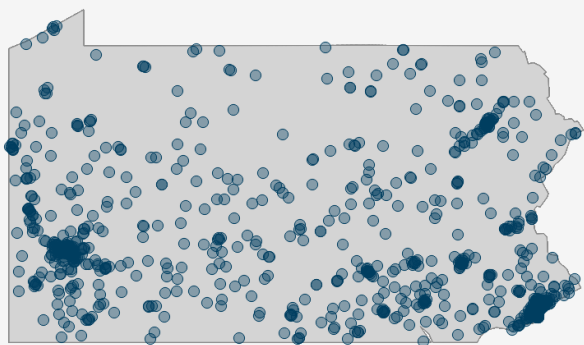


Pennsylvania

2022 Head Start & Early Head Start Profile

In Pennsylvania, mother Caryliz DeJesus loves seeing how their son and daughter, Ahzir and Ahvyanë, continuously learn new things at their school. “I love how they have a garden where the kids can learn how food grows and actually see their own fruits and veggies grow.”

— *Families Experiencing Poverty on Journey to Financial Stability*



• **848**

Head Start & Early Head Start Centers

Click the map above or visit nhsa.org/locator to view the map in detail.

\$366,472,641

FY21 Funding

(Excluding Migrant and Seasonal Head Start Funding)

30,329

Funded Slots State-Wide

23,105

Funded Head Start Slots

6,860

Funded Early Head Start Slots

364

Funded Migrant and Seasonal Head Start Slots

Head Start's Model

Nationwide, Comprehensive, Multi-Generational

In the six decades since our founding, we have reached a new milestone: 37 million children have been served by Head Start. Innovators and small business owners, police officers and members of the service, nurses and teachers—our alumni represent the vast and diverse fabric of our country. From early math and reading skills, to confidence and resilience, Head Start helps children build the skills they need to be successful in school and life.

Head Start takes a comprehensive approach to meeting the needs of young children and their families. **There are four pillars in every program:**

Education: Learning experiences support intellectual, social, and emotional growth

Health Services: Immunizations, dental, medical, and mental health support, nutritional services, and early screenings ensure healthy development

Family Involvement: Opportunities for parents and caregivers to be involved in decision making, participate in classes, and volunteer in the program strengthen families

Wraparound Support: Tailored services meet local and individual needs and link children and families to community supports.

“**Head Start and Early Head Start programs successfully implemented CDC recommended guidance and other ancillary measures for child care programs that remained open, allowing them to continue offering in-person learning.**”

— CDC, *Implementing Mitigation Strategies in Early Care and Education Settings for Prevention of SARS-CoV-2 Transmission*

December 2020



Children

280,626

Home Visits Conducted Throughout the Year

567

Pregnant Women Served

9,914

Newly Enrolled Children Completed Behavioral Screenings

2,039

Children Received Care for a Chronic Health Condition

11,571

Children Received Preventative Dental Care

20,220

Children Up-to-Date on Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic & Treatment Screenings



Families

1,723

Homeless Families Served

20,712

Families Received Services that Promote Family Outcomes

6,805

Fathers Involved in their Child's Educational Experiences



Community

1,993

Head Start and Early Head Start Classrooms

10,156

Total Head Start and Early Head Start Staff

16,157

Parents Employed, in School, or in Job Training