



Fast Facts: Children, Families and Early Education in Danvers

	Danvers	Statewide
Total # children under age 6	1,710	480,422
Total # of preschool-aged children (3-5yrs)	931	244,464
% of children under age 6 living below the poverty line*	2.8%	14.2%
% of children under age 6 with all parents in the labor force	53.9%	60.7%
% of kindergarteners attending full-day kindergarten	100%	65.9%
% of students identified as low income	6.5%	29.5%
% of students whose first language is not English	2.4%	15.1%
% of students receiving special education services	15.8%	16.9%
% of students who drop-out of high school	3.1%	3.8%
% of third graders who do not meet the state standards for reading proficiency on the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System	31%	41.0%

* The 2008 federal poverty line for a family of four is \$21,200 per year.

Early Education and Care in Danvers

- According to the 2000 Census, 62.8% of 3 and 4 year-olds in Danvers attend school.
- According to the Departments of Early Education and Care (EEC) and Elementary and Secondary Education, Danvers has 2 public school preschool programs, 11 licensed center-based programs, and 22 licensed family child care programs.
- In January 2007, 48 eligible children were on a waiting list to receive a child care subsidy from EEC and 11 were of preschool-age (2.9-5 yrs).
- EEC estimates that 196 of Danvers' jobs are supported by the early education and care industry.
- The average salary of a preschool teacher in the Lynn-Peabody-Salem Area is \$29,830, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Early Education Grant Programs in Danvers

UPK grants:

- In FY07 Danvers received two UPK assessment planning grants: one serving a FCC system and one serving a licensed center based program.

Full-Day Kindergarten grants:

- In FY08 Danvers applied for the first time to receive a transition planning grant which allowed 13 FDK classrooms to be funded.

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