



# Fast Facts: Children, Families and Early Education in Plympton

	Plympton	Statewide
Children birth through 5 (under 6)	195	477,882
Total # of preschool-aged (3-5yr) children	102	239,190
% of children under age 6 living below the poverty line*	0%	12.6%
% of children under 6 with all parents in the labor force	48%	61%
% of public school children attending full-day kindergarten	0%	65.9%
% of students eligible to receive free or reduced lunch	4.7%	28.2%
% of children 5-17 whose first language is not English	0%	18.8%
% of students unable to perform classwork in English	0%	5.3%
% of students receiving special education services	14.8%	16.5%
% of students who dropped-out of high school	N/A	3.8%
% of third graders who do not meet the state standards for reading proficiency on the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System	30%	42%

\* The 2006 federal poverty line for a family of four is \$20,000 per year.

## Early Education and Care in Plympton

- According to the 2000 Census 31.4% of 3-5 year-olds in Plympton are enrolled in preschool.
- Of those children enrolled in preschool in Plympton, 0 attend public school pre-kindergarten, according to the Department of Education. 100% are enrolled in community-based or family child care programs.
- In Plympton, there are 0 public school preschool programs, 0 licensed center-based programs, and 3 licensed family child care programs, according to the Department of Early Education Care.
- As of January 2007, 10 children ages 0-14 in Plympton were on a waiting list to receive a child care subsidy from the Department of Early Education and Care, of whom 4 are of preschool-age (2.9-5 years).
- The Department of Early Education and Care estimates that 6 of Plympton's jobs are in the early education and care industry.
- The average salary of a preschool teacher in the Barnstable-Yarmouth Area is \$26,440, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Sources: US Census, 2000

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