Mile High Early Learning
Montessori Inspired

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Mile High Early Learning

- 50 Years Community Impact
- 1,500+ Children
- 6 Early Learning Centers
- 12 Head Start/Early Head Start Partners
- Family, Friend, and Neighborhood
Early Childhood Funding Streams

- Head Start and Early Head Start
  - Federal; City of Denver
- Child & Adult Food Care Program
  - Federal
- Colorado Child Care Assistance Program
  - County Human Services
Early Childhood Funding Streams

- Colorado Preschool Program/ECARE
  - School Districts
- Denver Preschool Program
- Parent Tuition Fees
- Fundraising—events, grants, individuals
Funding Sources

- HS/EHS
- CCCAP
- CPP/ECARE
- DPP
- Parents
- Unfunded

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Innovative Funding/Delivery

• Child Care Subsidy
  • Funding based on enrollment
  • Reimbursement based on actual cost
• Early Head Start/Child Care Partnerships
• Denver Preschool Program
Mixed Delivery System

• 64% of children under 6 years have all available parents working
• 62% of households—women are primary or co-breadwinners
• Child care in Colorado costs 1/3 income
  • Market rate; not true cost of quality
## Mixed Delivery System Licensed Sites

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School Districts

• Serve 10% of children birth to 5 years
• Provide 20% of licensed child care slots
• Have 87% Colorado Preschool Program
Kindergarten Transition

Relationships/Partnerships

- Early childhood programs to kindergarten
- Family to school/kindergarten
- Child to kindergarten