

Proposed State Budget Comparison

2023-25 KEY EARLY LEARNING ITEMS



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CHILD CARE

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| Family Child Care and Family, Friend and Neighbor Collective Bargaining Agreement | \$231.165M | \$256.186M <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Includes rate increases for Family Child Care and Family, Friends and Neighbor providers, waiving of background check fees and a cost of care enhancement | |
| Child Care Center Rate Increase Working Connections Child Care | \$142.4M | \$204.527M <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding represented differently from the <i>Governor's</i> budget, but same outcome as both budgets fund at 85th percentile of 2021 market rate survey | |
| Equity Grants | \$18.69M | \$10M | |
| Working Connections Child Care Complex Needs | \$15.396M | \$15.396M | |
| Background Check Fee Assistance (Senate Bill 5316) | \$897,000 | \$2.618M <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To fund Senate Bill 5316 | |

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| Continue Working Connections Child Care Rate Enhancement | | \$2.262M <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One-time funding to maintain subsidy rates for those categories that exceed the 85th percentile based on 2021 market rate survey | |
| Working Connections Child Care Homeless Period Extension | | \$908,000 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides 12-month eligibility at application or reapplication | |
| Child Care Eligibility Expansion Bill (Senate Bill 5225) | N/A | \$13.268M | |
| Child Care/Registered Apprenticeships Bill (House Bill 1525) | N/A | \$0 | |

ECEAP

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| Rate Increase | \$107.026M | \$56.381M <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rate increase of 18% for school and working day slots and 9% for part day slots starting July 1, 2023 | |
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| Expansion | \$83.583M | \$44.589M <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supports expansion of 1,000 school day slots in SFY 24 <u>and</u> in SFY 25 and 100 working day slots in SFY 2026 <u>and</u> SFY 2027 | |
| Early ECEAP | | \$4.785M <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding to continue program at current slot level with a 20% rate increase beginning July 1, 2023 and a 1.8% increase starting July 1, 2024 | |
| Complex Needs Fund | \$11.084M | Not included | |

EARLY LEARNING FACILITIES (CAPITAL BUDGET)

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| Early Learning Facilities Expansion | \$40M | \$46.4M <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$25.05M Competitive Grants \$21M Designated Projects \$350K Capital Readiness Pilot Program | |
| Facilities Minor Renovation | \$5M | \$7.5M | |
| School Districts | \$5.4M | \$5.4M | |

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| Other Designated Early Learning Investments | \$0 | \$13M | |
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HOME VISITING

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| Contract Adjustments | \$9.3M | \$9.3M | |
| Expansion | \$1.5M | Not included | |

OTHER

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| Audit Resolution | \$2.583M | Not included | |
| Dolly Parton Imagination Library | \$5.279M | Not included | |
| Post-Delivery and Transitional care program/Maternity Support Services (MSS) Bill (Senate Bill 5580) | N/A | \$6.946M | |
| Pierce County Prevention Pilot | \$1.742M | \$1.742M | |
| Transitional Kindergarten (House Bill 1550) | N/A | \$41.848M funded from federal ARPA dollars <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Changes a portion of the funding source/unrelated to HB 1550 | |

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| Tribal Early Learning Grants | \$10.279M | \$10.279M <ul style="list-style-type: none">Administered by DCYF Office of Tribal Affairs and available to providers with tribal children enrolled in ECEAP, Early ECEAP, child care, Head Start, Early Head Start and Home Visiting | |
| Lived Experience Stipends | | \$600,000 | |

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