

Update on Early Learning



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Early Learning & Early Literacy



DESE Birth to Five Programs



Program	Estimated Child Count	Appropriation
Parents as Teachers	58,000	\$21,058,000
First Steps	13,000	\$46,570,128
Early Childhood Special Education	13,000	\$206,543,263
Missouri Preschool Program	1,300	\$2,822,917
Preschool Foundation Formula	4,500	\$14,007,603
Title I Preschool	22,000	\$33,518,548
Total	111,800	\$310,512,856

Source: Child count is FY19. Appropriation is FY21 with the exception of First Steps and Title I Preschool, which are estimated based on prior year; and Foundation Formula, which is based on FY19 expenditures.



Impact of COVID-19

- ❑ Effects are rapidly changing
- ❑ Uneven distribution of effects



Getting creative during COVID-19

- ❑ Virtual home visits
- ❑ Social distancing in early care & education settings
- ❑ Ways to stay connected