What Is The Current State Of Publicly Funded Pre-K In King County?
Publicly Funded Pre-K Programs and Services

**Federally Funded** – Head Start and Early Head Start (HS & EHS)
Children from birth (including prenatal services) to age five who are from families with incomes below 100% of the federal poverty level (FPL) are eligible for HS & EHS services.

**State Funded** - Early Childhood Education & Assistance Program (ECEAP)
3-4 year old children who are from families with incomes below 110% of the FPL are eligible for ECEAP services.

*Both programs provide comprehensive services to each and all enrolled families and children: education, child development, health, nutrition, family support, mental health, disability.*

Children from homeless families, and families receiving public assistance such as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) are prioritized. Foster children are eligible regardless of their foster family’s income.
Currently added 400 ECEAP slots, including 20 slots on Vashon Island
PSESD HS, EHS and ECEAP

• it’s estimated that over 24,500 children under the age of five live in poverty in the PSESD Early Learning Service Area (King and Pierce counties)

• PSESD HS, EHS and ECEAP currently serve 4,604 children and families, only an estimated 20% of children eligible for the services.
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**Levy Funded Services** – City of Seattle Step Ahead Program
Funded by the 2011 Families and Education Levy offers preschool to eligible four-year-olds.

**Pre-K Special Services** – designed for children ages 3 to 5 with disabilities and in need of specially designed instruction. Preschool Special Education Services are based on the Individualized Education Program that is written for each child.

**District Funded Services** - The Title I* Pre-Kindergarten Program is designed to provide services for four-year-old children in need of academic support. The goal of the program is to prepare children to enter kindergarten ready to learn and succeed.

**Public Assistance Services** – Working Child Care Connections (subsidy), SSI, etc.

*Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.)*
What Services & Systems Are Funded?
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HS & EHS and ECEAP programs are designed to provide ongoing, intensive and comprehensive education, child development, health, nutrition, mental health, disabilities, and family support services with the goal of fostering school readiness - the physical, social, emotion, cognitive and intellectual development for children 0 to 5 years old.

Examples:

*Child Development/Education* – developmental screening, school readiness, assessment and Individualization, literacy and language skills development, curricula, quality learning environment, transitions, etc.

*Health & Nutrition* - screenings, dental, physical development, child/family health history, health & nutrition accommodations, menu & food, etc.

*Family Support* – school readiness, community connections, employment and training support, advocacy and leadership, support to fathers, etc.

*Disabilities* – observations, data collection, classroom support, referral, inclusive placement, etc.

*Mental Health* – observations, assessment & data collections, classroom support, referral, etc.
What Systems Are Funded?

• Program Development and Planning
• Program Governance
• Fiscal and Administration
• Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment, Attendance (ERSEA)
• Human Resources, including Professional Development
• Monitoring, including data systems and self-assessment
• Training and Technical Assistance
• Recording and Reporting
• Communication
What Quality Components are Funded?

- School Readiness
- Data-informed services
- Differentiation and Individualization
- Dosage and Intensity of Classroom and Family Support Services
- Learning Environments and Curricula
- Staff Qualification Requirements and Supports
- Ongoing Professional Development & Career Support
- Ongoing Monitoring & Technical Assistance
- Programmatic Infrastructure – Governance, Administration, Fiscal
Who is Providing Services?
HS & EHS Grantees and ECEAP & Step Ahead Contractors

City of Seattle – ECEAP, Step Ahead
Seattle Public Schools - Head Start
Neighborhood House – Head Start, Early Head Start, ECEAP, Step Ahead
Children Home Society - Head Start, Early Head Start, ECEAP
Denise Louie Education Center - Head Start, Early Head Start, Step Ahead
PSESD - Head Start, Early Head Start, ECEAP, Step Ahead
How Pre-K Services Are Funded?
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**Federally Funded** – Head Start and Early Head Start (HS & EHS)
WA State cost per Part Day HS slot – approximately $9000
WA State cost per Part Day EHS slot – approximately $12000

*HS Part Day – 3.5 hours/day, School Year*
**HS/EHS Full Day/Year Round services are based on shared funding in partnership with childcare providers**

**State Funded** - Early Childhood Education & Assistance Program (ECEAP)
cost per Part Day ECEAP slot – average $7331
cost per Full Day ECEAP slot – average $7331 + PD WCCC = $9700
cost per Extended Full Day ECEAP slot – average $7331 + FD WCCC = $14000

*ECEAP Part Day – 2.5 hours/day*
**ECEAP Full Day/School Year services - 6 hours/day**
***ECEAP Extended Full Day/Year Round services - 10 hours/day***
****ECEAP Extended Full Day and Full Day services are based on shared funding ECEAP cost per child + WCCC (subsidy) at the state level in partnership with DSHS**
How Pre-K Full Day Services Are Funded?

PSESD Quality Layer Cake

“The Foundation”
Child Care, District Pre-K, etc.

“Enhancement” I
Federal, State, Levy, etc.

“Enhancement” II
Grants, philanthropy, special projects

Funding for Comprehensive Pre-K Programs and Services

= additional resources

+ HS, EHS, ECEAP, other

+ Child Care Subsidy, Copay, Tuition, Stipend, other
The Quality Layer Cake Examples, Shared Services

**PSESD:**

Educare of Greater Seattle, *full day/year round, HS & EHS*
WCCC + Copay + HS & EHS + special education + philanthropic

Bellevue College - *full day/year round, community children, HS*
WCCC + Copay + FD HS + College Stipends + Full Tuition (Costco families)

Renton SD - *part day/school year, community children, HS, ECEAP, special education*
District Pre-K + PD HS + PD ECEAP + special education

Family Child Care Providers - *full day/year round, HS*
WCCC + Copay + Tuition + FD HS

*Multicultural EL Center, Tacoma - extended full day/year round, ECEAP*
Copay + Tuition + Extended FD ECEAP + private donors + grants
QUESTIONS?