

North Dakota

NO PROGRAM

North Dakota does not offer state-funded pre-K as defined in this report. However, the state legislature provided \$3 million in Early Childhood Education grants beginning in the 2017-2018 school year through the state Department of Commerce.

The North Dakota Department of Public Instruction has multiple early childhood education initiatives, including two grant opportunities for educators and school districts. Lead and assistant teachers in pre-kindergarten, Head Start, and child care can enhance their credentials at North Dakota state colleges and universities through Early Childhood Continuing Education Grants of up to \$3,000 every two years. Early Childhood Environment Grants provide up to \$10,000 to establish, support, or enhance new or expanded early childhood environments.

The North Dakota Pre-Kindergarten Content Standards, published in 2013, are voluntary and cover multiple domains including social-emotional development, language development, physical well-being and motor development, approaches toward learning, and cognitive and general knowledge. The standards were aligned with the state's kindergarten standards and the Head Start Child Outcomes Framework. The state sponsors professional development for early childhood professionals that is aligned with these standards.

North Dakota is part of a consortium with nine other states and three nationally recognized research partners that shared a \$6.1 million Enhanced Assessment Grant from the U.S. Department of Education. The consortium's goal is to develop a state-of-the-art system for assessing young children's learning and provide parents, students, teachers, policymakers, and other early childhood stakeholders with a critical resource for generating clear information about children's development and learning goals.

ACCESS RANKINGS	
4-YEAR-OLDS	3-YEAR-OLDS
No Program	

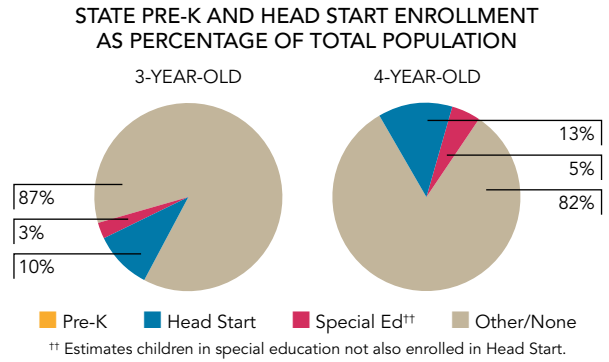
RESOURCE RANKINGS	
STATE SPENDING	ALL REPORTED SPENDING
No Program	

TOTAL BENCHMARKS MET	
CURRENT STANDARDS	NEW STANDARDS
No Program	

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Total state pre-K enrollment	0
School districts that offer state program	NA
Income requirement	NA
Minimum hours of operation	NA
Operating schedule	NA
Special education enrollment, ages 3 and 4	1,210
Federally funded Head Start enrollment, ages 3 and 4	2,360
State-funded Head Start enrollment, ages 3 and 4	0



QUALITY STANDARDS CHECKLIST

NO PROGRAM

RESOURCES

Total state pre-K spending	\$0
Local match required?	NA
State Head Start spending	Not reported
State spending per child enrolled	\$0
All reported spending per child enrolled*	\$0

* Pre-K programs may receive additional funds from federal or local sources that are not included in this figure.

** Head Start per-child spending includes funding only for 3- and 4-year-olds.

*** K-12 expenditures include capital spending as well as current operating expenditures.

