



ARKANSAS BETTER CHANCE FAST FACTS

Program Information

- Total Children Served: 25,476
- Total Agencies: 275
 - School Districts: 133
 - Educational Cooperatives: 13
 - Private Providers: 129
- Program Type
 - Center: 86%
 - Home Visiting: 14%
- Total Sites: 560
- Total Classrooms: 1,250
- Full day: 178 days, 7 hours/day
- Center Funding Per Child:
 - State: \$4,860 (60%)
 - Local Match: \$3,240 (40%)
- Home Visiting Funding Per Child:
 - State: \$1,750 (60%)
 - Local Match: \$1,167 (40%)

Teacher Qualifications

- Doctorate: 1%
- Master's Degree: 15%
- Bachelor's Degree: 73%
- Associate's Degree: 9%
- CDA: 2%

Classroom Quality

Trained consultants conduct unannounced visits to administer the Early Childhood Environmental Rating Scale (ECERS.) An overall score of 5.0 designates high-quality. Average ECERS scores for 2011-2012 follow:

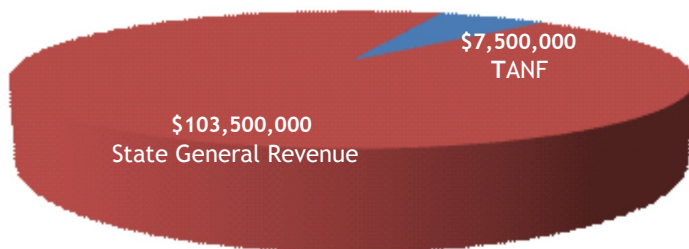
Subscale	Score
Space and Furnishing	5.07
Personal Care Routines	3.53
Language-Reasoning	5.69
Activities	5.72
Interaction	5.57
Program Structure	5.65
Parents and Staff	6.23
Overall	5.33

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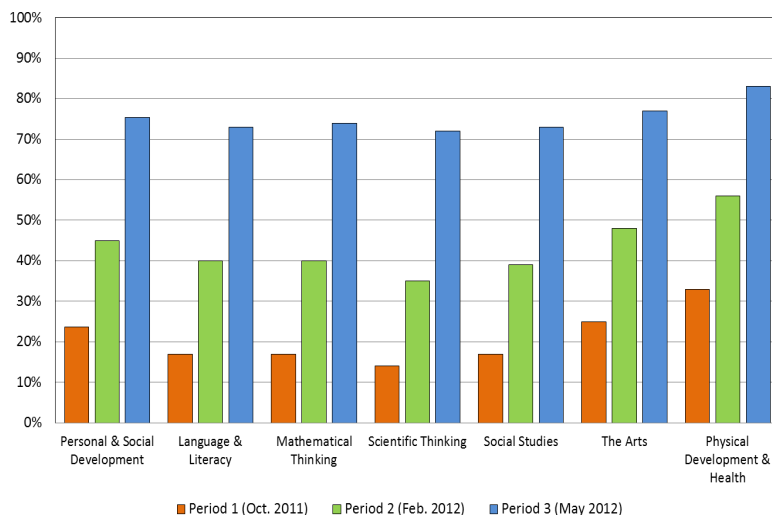
The National Institute of Early Education Research has ranked Arkansas in *The State of Pre-K 2011 Yearbook*:

- 4th in the nation for access to 3-year-olds
- 10th in the nation for access to 4-year-olds
- 9 out of 10 quality benchmarks

Funding Sources



Child Assessment Data Children Scoring Proficient



- All ABC children are assessed three times per program year using the Work Sampling System.
- ABC children are required to have health and developmental screening annually.
- 3,059 ABC children received special education services.