

ECEAP FOCUS ON . . .

Outcomes

National research shows sizable short and long term outcomes of high quality preschool, but what about our own program?

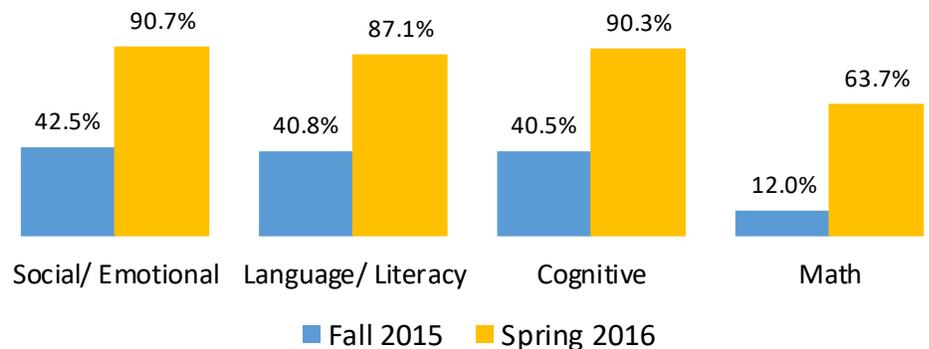
ECEAP serves our state's most at-risk children – families below 110% of the federal poverty line, homeless, children with disabilities, and involvement in the child welfare system.

ECEAP staff work with children in the classroom to get them school-ready, and work with parents to ensure the child's health, strengthen parenting skills, and help families to do what is needed to move out of poverty and support their child's health and education.

The results are impressive, and they last.

School Readiness

The 2015-16 ECEAP Outcomes Report shows how dramatically children progress from fall to spring. This shows the percentage of 4-year-olds who meet the 'kindergarten ready' benchmark.



Benefits Proven to Last

In 2014 the Washington State Institute for Public Policy analyzed ECEAP outcomes to compare 3rd-5th grade test scores from children who had attended ECEAP to those of similar children who hadn't.



Sustained Results

ECEAP positive test score effects were long-lasting—twice as strong in 5th grade compared to other states.



Return on Investment

WSIPP estimates a return of \$4.75 for every \$1 invested.

2017-19 ECEAP Expansion

High Quality Pre-K is Washington's best strategy for better school and life outcomes. To ensure our neediest families aren't left behind, we need three things this year:

- ◆ Funding for **2708 new children** in full & extended day classrooms
- ◆ **16.7% increase in the per-child rate** so programs can recruit and retain staff and meet high quality standards
- ◆ **\$26 million for a facilities bond fund** to enable programs to expand and reach more children.

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