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Annual Report 2024-2025

ISWA Head Start:

ISWA Head Start is a comprehensive early childhood education program serving low-income children and their families, with a tribal preference in enrollment.

Our Head Start program is funded to serve children ages 3 and 4 years old and their families. In accordance with federal regulations, at least 10% of total enrollment is reserved for children with diagnosed disabilities, ensuring inclusive services and individualized support.

ISWA Head Start receives 80% of its annual budget from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The remaining 20% non-federal share (in-kind match) is generated locally through donated goods and services provided by parents, community members, and partner organizations.

Through a comprehensive service model, ISWA Head Start promotes school readiness by supporting children's cognitive, social-emotional, physical, and language development while also strengthening family well-being.

ISWA Early Head Start

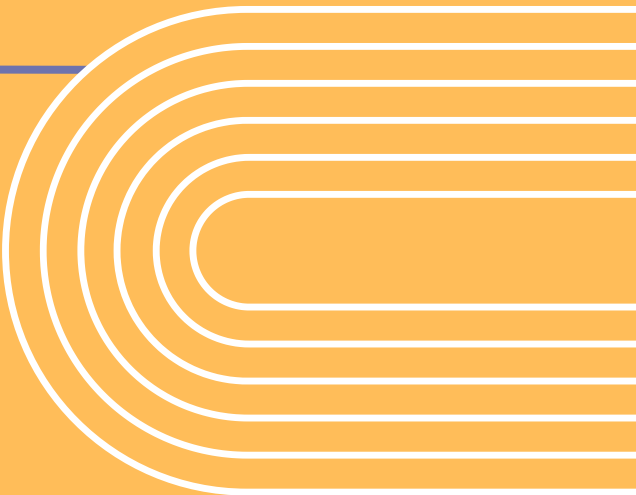
ISWA Early Head Start (EHS) is a comprehensive early childhood program serving low-income families, with a tribal preference in enrollment.

Our Early Head Start program is funded to serve:

- Pregnant mothers
- Infants and toddlers ages 6 weeks to 3 years old
- Their families

Early Head Start provides high-quality early learning experiences, prenatal and postpartum support, health and nutrition services, and family partnership services designed to promote healthy development and strong family foundations during the earliest years of life.

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Education:

At ISWA Early , school readiness means more than just knowing letters and numbers. It means:

- Children are ready for kindergarten – socially, emotionally, physically, and academically.
- Families feel confident supporting their child's learning at home.
- Schools are ready to welcome and support every child.

We focus on the whole child – helping children grow in language, thinking skills, friendships, confidence, and healthy habits.

To see how children are growing and learning, teachers regularly observe and assess progress using tools called Teaching Strategies GOLD and the DIAL-4 developmental screening. These tools help us understand each child's strengths and areas where they may need extra support.

Most importantly, we partner with families every step of the way to celebrate progress and support each child's success.



Students meeting or exceeding expectations as of Fall 2024-2025

Head Start students meeting or ex-ceeding expectations as of

Winter 2024-2025:

Socio-Emotional: 96.3%

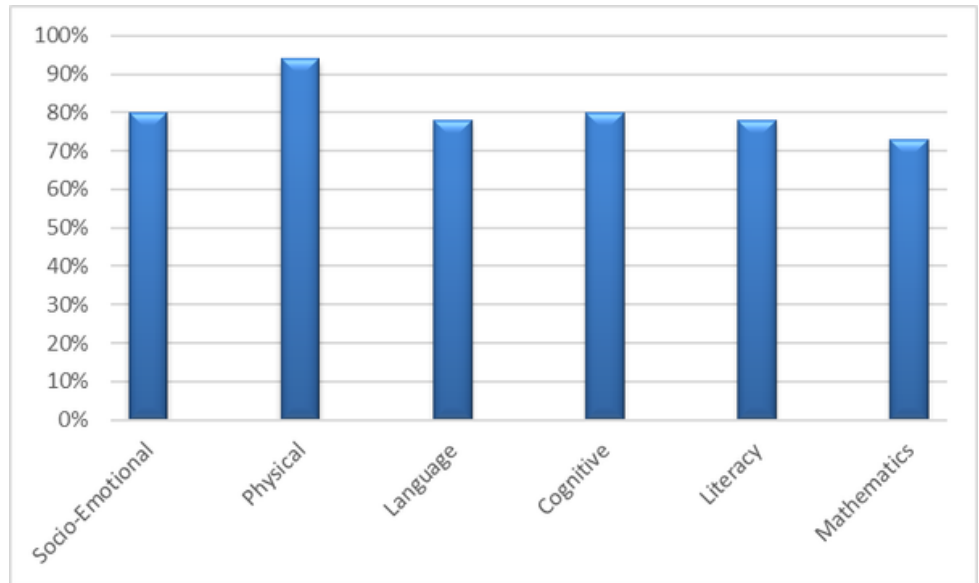
Physical: 96.3%

Language: 96.3%

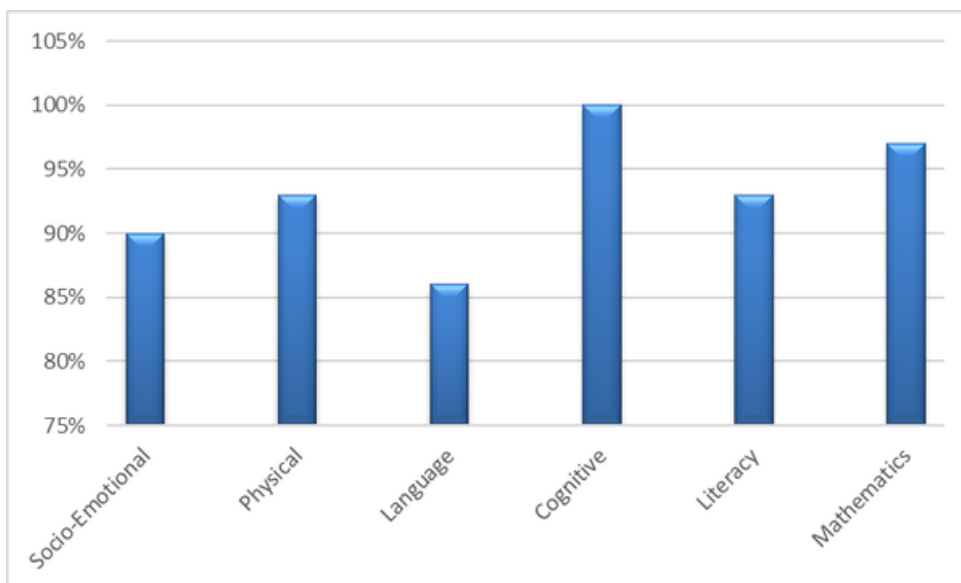
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Children and Families Served



The following is a break down of the children and families served in Head Start:

54 Total Children

28 Three year old

26 Four-year-old

The following is break down of the children served in Early Head Start:

24 Total Children/Families

2 Pregnant Mother

2 Under One

8 One-year-old

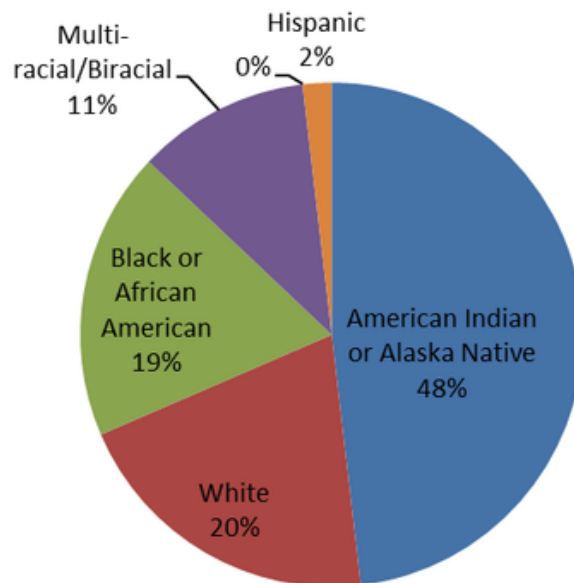
9 Two-year-old

2 Three-year-old



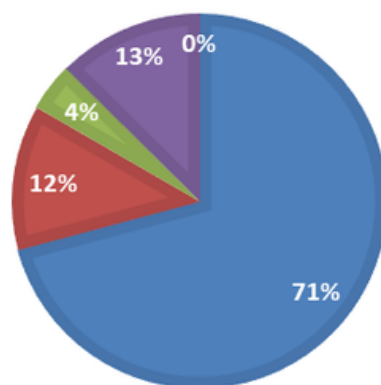
Race/ Ethnicity

Race for Enrolled Iswa HS



RACE FOR ENROLLED ISWA EHS

■ American Indian or Alaska Native ■ White
■ Black or African American ■ Multi-racial/Biracial
■ Hispanic



Teacher Qualifications:

- Total Number of Teachers: 16
- HS Classroom Teachers: 4
- HS Assistant Teachers: 4
- EHS Classroom Teachers: 8
- Bachelor's Degree Teachers: 2
- Associate's Degree in Early Childhood Education : 1
- Childhood Development Associate's Teachers: 13
- In Education Programs: 4



Funding



Iswa Early Learning Funding Sources 2024-2025

Head Start Operating Budget: \$1,207,243

Early Head Start Operating Budget: \$888,855

Shared between both programs:

Child and Adult Care Food Program: \$134,284

Year in Review





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