

**ADE - OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD
FISCAL YEAR 2026
AS ENACTED BY ACT 873 OF 2025**

The Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education is the entity responsible for licensure, rating, and review of child care facilities. They are also responsible for nutrition programs throughout the State and the administration of several federal early childhood grant programs.

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

Appropriation		2024-2025	2025-2026
		Authorized	Legislative
BL4	Operations	\$26,674,253	\$15,365,574
BL6	Child Care Grants	\$20,000,000	\$9,000,000
BL7	Operations - Federal	\$271,000,000	\$268,670,324
BL8	Loan Guarantees and Grants	\$36,786	\$36,786
BL9	Commodity Distribution and Salvage Container - Cash	\$139,676	\$139,676
BX4	Childcare Facility Grants	\$200,000	\$200,000
Total		\$350,050,715	\$293,412,360

FUNDING SOURCES

Funding Sources		%
Fund Balance	4000005	2.6
General Revenue	4000010	3.3
Federal Revenue	4000020	94.1
Total Funds		100.00

CHANGE LEVEL REQUESTS

Operations (Appropriation BL4)

Commitment Item		2024-2025	2025-2026	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5010001	Extra Help	\$84,877	\$20,000	(\$64,877)
5010003	Personal Services Matching	\$551,039	\$668,974	\$117,935
5060010	Professional Fees	\$12,046,304	\$3,000,000	(\$9,046,304)
5900044	Data Processing Services	\$2,306,047	\$0	(\$2,306,047)
5900047	Purchases of Service	\$9,386	\$0	(\$9,386)
Total		\$14,997,653	\$3,688,974	(\$11,308,679)

Change Level reductions for this appropriation are to better align with anticipated expenditures and funding.

Child Care Grants (Appropriation BL6)

Commitment Item	2024-2025	2025-2026
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		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5900047	Child Care Program	\$20,000,000	\$9,000,000	(\$11,000,000)
Total		\$20,000,000	\$9,000,000	(\$11,000,000)

Change Level reductions for this appropriation are to better align with anticipated expenditures and funding.

Operations - Federal (Appropriation BL7)

Commitment Item		2024-2025	2025-2026	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5900047	Early Childhood Federal Expenses	\$271,000,000	\$268,670,324	(\$2,329,676)
Total		\$271,000,000	\$268,670,324	(\$2,329,676)

Change Level reductions for this appropriation are to better align with anticipated expenditures and funding.

POSITIONS

Total Authorized Positions FY2026:177

Total Authorized Positions FY2025: 209

Increase / (Decrease): (32)

Extra Help Positions FY2026: 1

SPECIAL LANGUAGE REVISIONS

No Special Language.