



Will County AOK Network Targeted Problem of Early Childhood Success

Will County Targeted Problem – Detailed Version	
Child Impact: Not all children are kindergarten ready	
Child Impact Outcomes (ITP, K)	<p>Not all children are meeting benchmarks/ kindergarten readiness measures for literacy. The Proxy: Percentage of 3rd graders scoring that met the Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) for English and Language Arts (ELA) is lower than the state in 38% (10 of 26) school districts in Will County in 2022. The data range in 2022 varies from 3.4% in Taft SD 90 to 57.1% in Union SD 81. The data compares to 25.4% in Illinois in 2022.</p> <p>Not all children are meeting benchmarks for communication. The Proxy: Percentage of Kindergarteners demonstrating readiness in language and literacy development is lower than the state in 38% (10 of 26) school districts in Will County in 2022. The data range in 2022 varies from 6% in New Lenox SD 122 to 86% in Elwood CCSD 203. The data compares to 46% in Illinois in 2022.</p>
Child Early Success Outcomes (ITP)	<p>Not all children are receiving a developmental screening. The total children birth to 35 months in Will County screened in 2022 was 591. Will County had 23,125 children birth to 2 in 2022. 97% of children birth to 2 are not screened.</p> <p>Not all children are receiving a developmental screening. The total children 35 months to 60 months in Will County screened in 2022 was 1,998. Will County had 24,840 children 3 to 5 in 2022. 92% of children 3 to 5 are not screened.</p> <p>Not all infants and toddlers are enrolled in high quality early learning programs. There are 1,002 high quality early learning slots for 23,125 infants and toddlers in Will County in 2022. 95.7% of children birth to 2 are not able to enroll in a high quality infant and toddler slot.</p> <p>Not all preschoolers are enrolled in high quality preschools. There are 3,203 high quality preschool slots for 24,840 children 3, 4, and 5 in Will County in 2022. 87.1% of children 3 to 5 are not able to enroll in a high quality preschool slot.</p>

Will County Targeted Problem – Summary	
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Child Early Success Outcomes (ITP)	Not all children are receiving a developmental screening. Not all infants and toddlers are enrolled in high quality early learning programs. Not all preschoolers are enrolled in high quality preschools.

Will County Targeted Problem – Aspirational Vision	
Child Impact: More children are kindergarten ready	
Child Impact Outcomes (ITP, K)	More children are meeting benchmarks/ kindergarten readiness measures for literacy. More children are meeting benchmarks for communication.
Child Early Success Outcomes (ITP)	More children are receiving a developmental screening. More infants and toddlers are enrolled in high quality early learning programs. More preschoolers are enrolled in high quality preschools.