

Actual Enrollment in Head Start/Early Head Start Programs

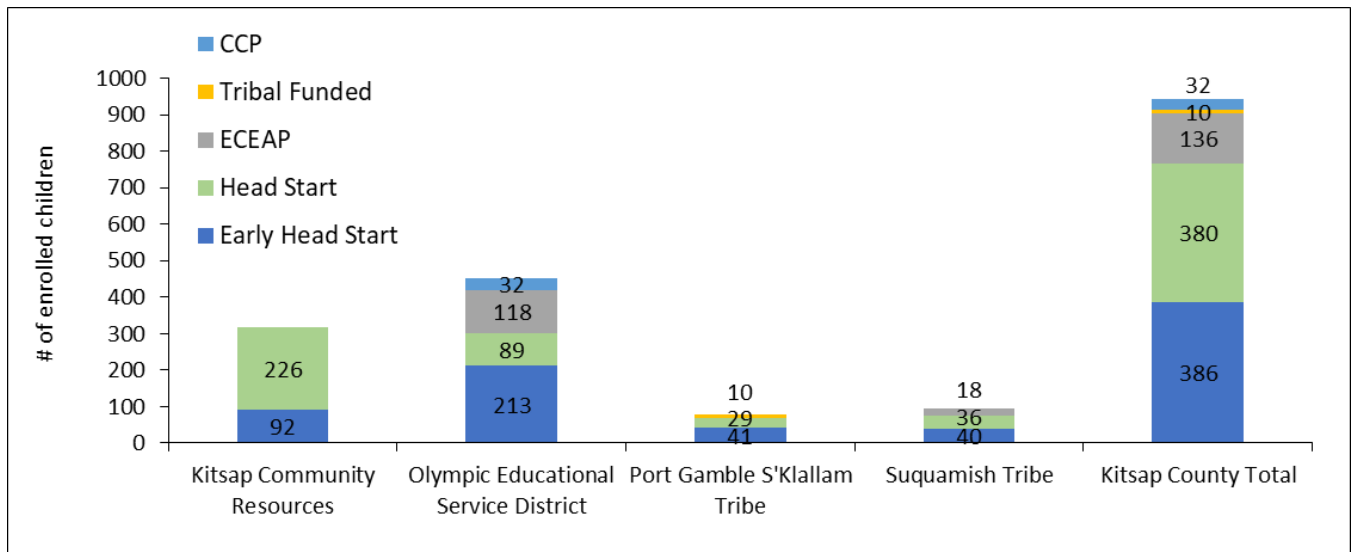
Number of Enrollees by Program

The most recent data includes data from the 2021-22 school year for OESD and KCR and data from the 2020-2021 school year for Port Gamble S’Klallam and Suquamish Tribes. County-wide, the total cumulative enrollment has decreased in Early Head Start and Head Start in the 2021-22 school year (Table 1). The most recent data show a total of 766 people were enrolled within Kitsap County Head Start and Early Head Start programs and a total of 944 enrollees across all programs (Figure 1). Overall, there were a similar number of enrollees who were in Early Head Start (50%) and Head Start programs (50%).

Table 1. Cumulative Enrollment in Kitsap County Head Start and Early Head Start Programs: 2009-10 to 2021-22

	Early Head Start												
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Kitsap Community Resources	112	119	105	102	98	108	107	102	118	108	116	116	92
Olympic Educational Service District	158	229	229	221	225	237	289	353	354	339	276	279	213
Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe	34	35	37	33	34	32	42	42	43	42	40	41	*
Suquamish Tribe	41	40	48	45	44	42	44	42	40	46	46	40	*
Kitsap County Total	345	423	419	401	401	419	482	539	555	535	478	476	305
	Head Start												
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Kitsap Community Resources	336	346	305	314	268	303	318	311	277	269	271	266	226
Olympic Educational Service District	262	303	272	292	262	239	235	204	182	174	155	114	89
Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe	34	37	37	37	28	29	35	33	33	30	20	29	*
Suquamish Tribe	37	38	40	37	36	39	36	36	37	38	38	36	*
Kitsap County Total	669	724	654	680	594	610	624	584	529	511	484	445	315

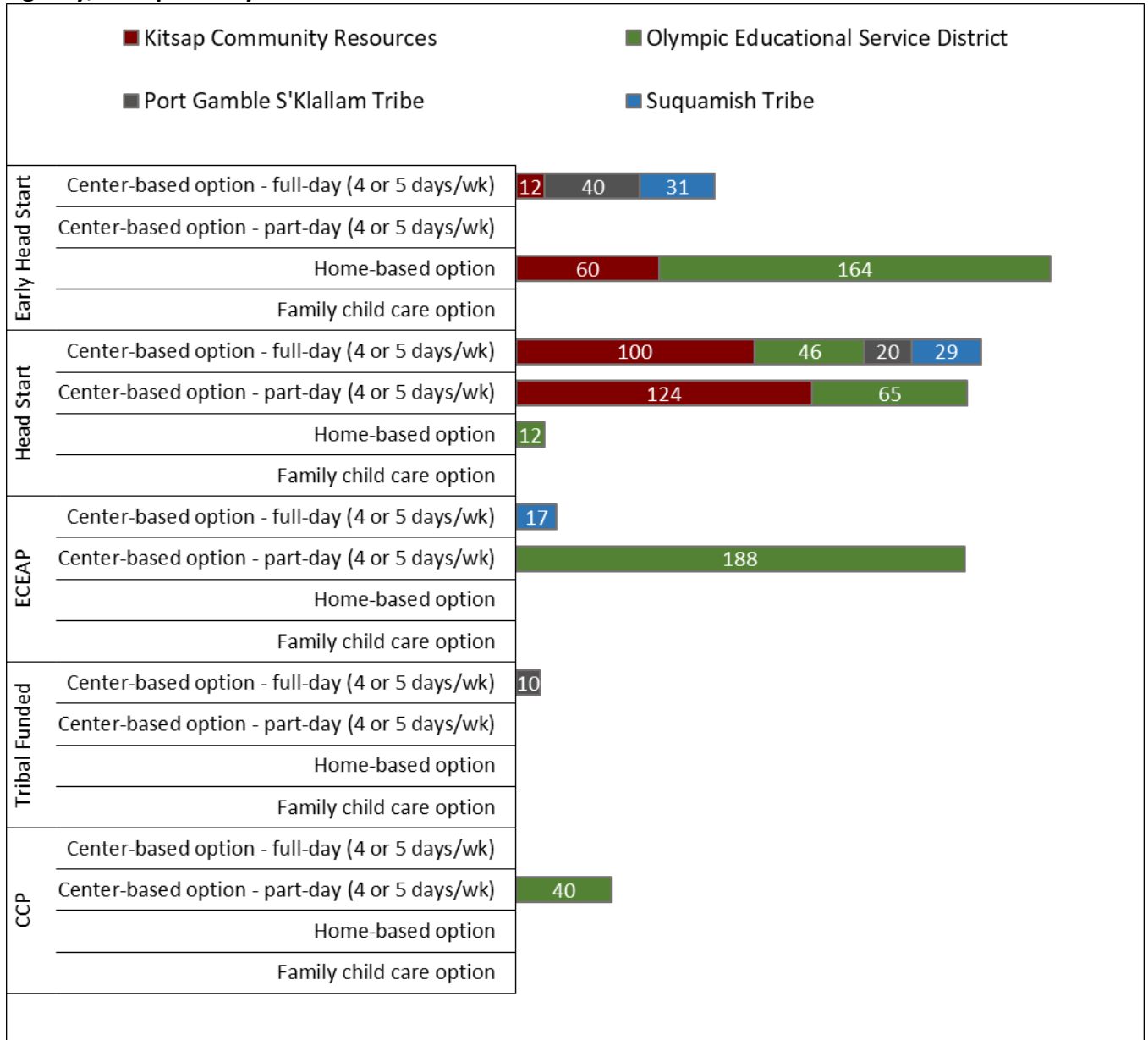
Figure 1. Enrollment Head Start/Early Head Start by Program and Agency, Kitsap County: 2020-21



Funded Enrollment by Program Option

Figure 2 shows the funded enrollment by program option in each agency during the 2020-21 & 2021-22 school years. Funded enrollment options numbers do not include pregnant women and are not the same as cumulative enrollment numbers.

Figure 2. Early Head Start and Head Start Funded Enrollment by Program Option and by Agency, Kitsap County: 2020-22



In 2010, the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe was awarded funding from the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (MIECHV), under Health Resources and Services (HRSA) in cooperation with the Administration for Children and Families (ACF), to support a needs assessment, plan development, and program for culturally relevant early learning, family

support, and home-visiting programs. The Tribe followed a grant timeline that included a full 11 year of conducting a needs assessment and developing a plan (FY 2011) and in Years 2 through 5 provided culturally relevant services, established progress and conducted evaluation activities. The Tribe’s Together for Children (TFC) program is a partner with the Early Childhood Education program and has strengthened the services to expectant families using the Nurse Family Partnership model. As of January 2017, 10 of 16 infants and 3 of 24 toddlers enrolled in EHS have received services from Tribal Home Visiting. As of January 2022, there were 10 children enrolled in EHS who received services from the home visiting program.

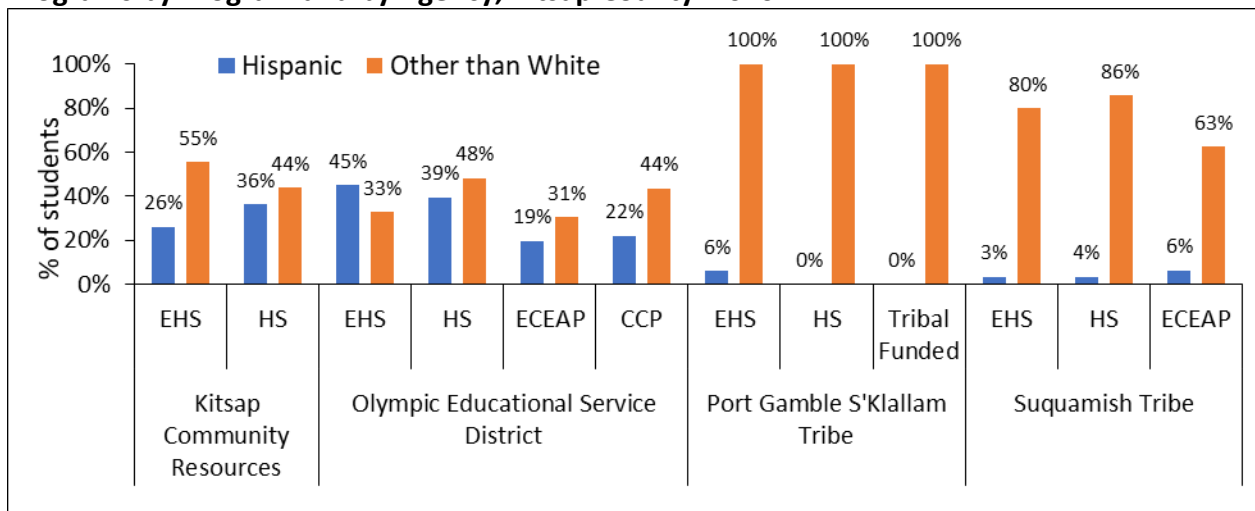
Racial and Ethnic Composition

During the 2020-21 & 2021-22 school years, the total Kitsap County HS/EHS enrollment consisted of 52% White, 19% multi-racial, 16% American Indian and Alaskan Native, 5% black, 2% Asian, 1% Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander, and 4% other or unknown race. Among the total enrollment population across all programs, 30% identified as Hispanic. The racial and ethnic composition of enrollees varied by Program and by Agency as shown in Table 2. Figure 3 highlights the percentage of enrollees who identify as a race or ethnicity other than White.

Table 2. Race and Ethnicity of Early Head Start and Head Start Enrollees by Program and by Agency, Kitsap County: 2020-22

RACE, ANY ETHNICITY	Kitsap Community		Olympic Educational Service District				Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe			Suquamish Tribe		
	EHS	HS	EHS	HS	ECEAP	CCP	EHS	HS	Tribal Funded	EHS	HS	ECEAP
White	45%	56%	67%	52%	69%	56%	0%	0%	0%	20%	14%	38%
Black	12%	7%	4%	7%	5%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
American Indian/Alaska Native	3%	5%	0%	2%	3%	9%	100%	100%	100%	70%	79%	56%
Asian	7%	3%	1%	3%	2%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	9%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Multi-racial	28%	27%	18%	21%	17%	22%	0%	0%	0%	10%	7%	6%
Unknown/Other	4%	0%	8%	12%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
ETHNICITY												
Hispanic	26%	36%	45%	39%	19%	22%	6%	0%	0%	3%	4%	6%
Non-Hispanic	74%	64%	55%	61%	81%	78%	94%	100%	100%	97%	96%	94%

Figure 3. Racial and Ethnic Minority Groups Enrolled in Head Start and Early Head Start Programs by Program and by Agency, Kitsap County: 2020-22



Primary Language Spoken at Home

Collectively across all programs, the vast majority of enrollees (81%) speak English as their primary language at home. The second most common language spoken at home this year was Spanish (12%) then Native Central American, South American and Mexican languages (5%). The Port Gamble S'Klallam and Suquamish programs reported 100% of their enrollees spoke English at home. Twelve percent of OESD's Early Head Start program spoke Native Central American, South American and Mexican languages at home, 12% of KCR's Head Start spoke Spanish at home and about 4% of KCR's Head Start spoke Native Central American, South American and Mexican languages at home. These percentages had remained consistent over the past few years, but this year there was a decreased percentage of students speaking English.

According to the 2013 parent survey, 94% of respondents reported speaking English at home; among families who speak a language other than English, Spanish and Mam were most frequently mentioned. In the 2016 parent survey, 99% of respondents reported their primary language was English; Spanish was the only other language noted. It should also be noted that surveys were administered only in English.

Enrollment Waiting List Status

The agencies generally maintain a single, combined Head Start, Early Head Start, Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP), and EHS Child Care Partnership (CCP) waitlist for preschool slots because the children can be placed wherever there is an opening for which they are eligible. Tribal members can also be placed in tribally-supported preschool and infant/toddler slots.

As of February 2023, the KCR waitlists included 24 income eligible and 31 over income children for EHS; 26 income eligible and 116 over income children for HS.¹³ The OESD 114 waitlists included: 157 income eligible and 57 over income children for EHS; 81 income eligible and 61 over income children for HS; 125 income eligible plus 107 over income children for ECEAP; and 9 income eligible plus 1 over income child for CCP.¹⁵

As of December 2021, the Suquamish program has 7 children on their EHS waitlist, 7 of which are over-income, and 6 children on their HS waitlist, 6 of which are over-income.¹⁴ The Port Gamble S'Klallam waitlist for EHS included 1 child, while HS did not have anyone on the waitlist.¹² These waitlists have mostly increased from last year, demonstrating the community need and desire for participation in child development and family support programs.

Children with Special Needs

Table 3 shows the number of Early Head Start (EHS) infants or toddlers with an Individualized Family Service Program (IFSP) and Head Start (HS) children in Kitsap County with an Individualized Education Program (IEP) indicating that they met the IDEA Parts B/C eligibility criteria to receive special education and related preschool disability services during the most recent school year. Eligibility for these services may be determined prior to or during the

enrollment year. Overall, percentages of eligible children have varied quite a bit year to year. In 2017-18, 16% of EHS children had an IFSP indicating eligibility to receive IDEA services, which is a substantial decrease from 2015-16 (22%) and 2016-17 (19%), almost back down to the level of 2014-15, which was only 14%. Notably, prior to that, there were even higher percentages (2013-14 23%). This year (2021-22), 10% of EHS children had an IFSP. The Port Gamble S’Klallam EHS program had the lowest proportion of children receiving early intervention services (5%), followed by Suquamish with 8%, KCR with 13%, and OESD with 10%.

Across all HS programs, 13% of children had an IEP indicating they should receive IDEA services, which was comparable to prior years (11% last year, 15% 2015-16; 17% in 2014-15; 19% in 2013-14). Port Gamble S’Klallam’s HS program had the lowest 2020-21 proportion (0%), but the others ranged from 12-16%.

Table 3. Head Start and Early Head Start Children Receiving Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Services by Program and by Agency, Kitsap County: 2020-22

	KCR		OESD				S’Klallam			Suquamish		
	EHS	HS	EHS	HS	ECEAP	CCP	EHS	HS	Tribal	EHS	HS	ECEAP
Eligibility for intervention or disabilities services												
Total # enrollees with IFSP/IEP* indicating eligibility	12	36	22	11	29	3	2	0	0	3	5	9
% enrollees with IFSP/IEP* indicating eligibility	13%	16%	10%	12%	71%	10%	5%	0%	0%	8%	14%	50%
# determined eligible during enrollment year	2	8	5	0	4	9	1	0	0	0	3	3

*Individualized Family Service Program (IFSP) or Individualized Education Program (IEP)

Types of Disabilities

Within the Head Start programs, the types of disabilities for which students were receiving special services under IDEA are shown in Table 4. Non-categorical developmental delays were again the most frequently identified type of disability across all programs followed by speech or language impairments, but OESD identified more speech or language impairments this year compared to previous years.

Table 4. Number of Disability Diagnoses among Head Start Enrollees, Kitsap County: 2020-22

	KCR		OESD				S’Klallam			Suquamish		
	EHS	HS	EHS	HS	ECEAP	CCP	EHS	HS	Tribal	EHS	HS	ECEAP
Enrollees with diagnosed primary disability**												
Health impairment	0	0		1	0		0			0	0	0
Emotional disturbance/behavioral disorder	0	0		0	0		0			0	0	0
Speech or language impairments	0	9		6	16		1			2	3	6
Intellectual disabilities	0	0		0	0		0			0	0	0
Hearing impairment, including deafness	0	0		0	0		0			0	0	0
Orthopedic impairment	0	0		0	0		1			0	0	0
Visual impairment, including blindness	0	0		0	0		0			0	0	0
Specific learning disability	0	0		0	0		0			0	0	0
Autism	0	6		1	1		0			0	0	0
Traumatic brain injury	0	0		0	0		0			0	0	0
Non-categorical/developmental delay	12	18		3	12		0			0	0	0
Multiple disabilities (excluding deaf-blind)	0	0		0	0		0			1	2	3
Deaf-blind	0	0		0	0		0			0	0	0

Homelessness

Overall, during the 2020-22 enrollment years, 13.7% of Early Head Start, 12.1% of Head Start, 5.1% of ECEAP, and 0% of Tribal Funded children in Kitsap County received homelessness services. Sixteen percent of all children received homelessness services. This is a higher percentage of children served last year (10%), 2017-18 (12%), 2016-17 (13%), 2015-16 (12%) and 2014-15 (13%); however, only last year included ECEAP enrollment. As shown in Table 5, the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe had the highest proportion of both EHS (19.5%) children and HS children (17.2%) receiving services.

Table 5. Head Start/Early Head Start Families and Children Receiving Homelessness Services by Program and by Agency, Kitsap County: 2020-22

	Early Head Start			Head Start		
	# of families	# of children	% of all enrolled children	# of families	# of children	% of all enrolled children
Kitsap Community Resources	12	14	15.2%	25	26	11.5%
Olympic Educational Service District	30	30	14.1%	14	15	16.9%
Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe	7	8	19.5%	5	5	17.2%
Suquamish Tribe	1	1	2.5%	0	0	0.0%
Kitsap County Total	50	53	13.7%	44	46	12.1%

	ECEAP			Tribal Funded			CCP		
	# of families	# of children	% of all enrolled children	# of families	# of children	% of all enrolled children	# of families	# of children	% of all enrolled children
Kitsap Community Resources	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Olympic Educational Service District	6	6	5.1%	--	--	--	12	14	43.8%
Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe	--	--	--	0	0	0.0%	--	--	--
Suquamish Tribe	1	1	5.6%	--	--	--	--	--	--
Kitsap County Total	7	7	5.1%	0	0	0.0%	12	14	43.8%

Overweight and Obesity

The rate among Kitsap County Head Start enrollees is much more variable due to small numbers. Among enrollees during the 2021-22 school year, just under one-third (32%) of children were overweight or obese. This is similar to previous years (30% in 2020-21, 34% in 2019-20, 36% in 2018-19, 27% in 2017-18, and 34% in 2016-17).

Table 6. Overweight and Obese Head Start Enrollees by Agency, Kitsap County: 2020-22

	Head Start			
	At a healthy weight	Overweight or obese	Total students with weight reported at enrollment	% overweight or obese
Kitsap Community Resources	113	72	194	37%
Olympic Educational Service District	45	26	72	36%
Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe	25	5	37	14%
Suquamish Tribe	22	4	31	13%
Kitsap County Total	205	107	334	32%

Children Receiving Mental Health Services

Table 7 provides information regarding the type of mental health services provided specifically to Head Start/Early Head Start children by program in Kitsap County.

Table 7. Mental Health Services Provided to Early Head Start/Head Start Children by Program and Agency, Kitsap County: 2020-22

	Kitsap Community Resources		Olympic Educational Service District			Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe			Suquamish Tribe	
	EHS	HS	EHS	HS	ECEAP	EHS	HS	Tribal Funded	EHS	HS
# of children for whom the MH professional consulted with program staff about child's behavior/mental health	10	13	13	2	11	40	20	16	5	4
# of children for whom the MH professional consulted with the parent(s) /guardian(s) about their child's behavior/mental health	0	3	6	3	6	2	1	1	5	3
# of children for whom the MH professional provided an individual mental health assessment	0	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2
# of children for whom the MH professional facilitated a referral for mental health services	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
# of children who were referred by the program for mental health services outside of Head Start since last year's PIR was reported	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

Fathers

The focus of children's health often focuses on women and infants, but the health and participation of fathers is a critical component that is often overlooked. During 2020-22, 333 fathers participated in their child's Early Head Start/Head Start child development experiences (e.g. home visits, parent-teacher conferences, etc.) across all programs. This is about 35% for the 944 children enrolled across all programs, higher than last year (23%) but lower than the past (40% in 2019-20).

Table 8. Number of Fathers/Father Figures Who Participated in Child's Head Start Child Development Experiences: 2020-22

	Early Head Start		Head Start	
	# fathers	% of enrolled children	# fathers	% of enrolled children
Kitsap Community Resources	62	67%	58	26%
Olympic Educational Service District	85	40%	35	39%
Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe	18	44%	7	24%
Suquamish Tribe	10	25%	8	22%
Kitsap County Total	175	45%	108	28%

	ECEAP		Tribal		CCP	
	# fathers	% of enrolled children	# fathers	% of enrolled children	# fathers	% of enrolled children
Kitsap Community Resources	--	--	--	--	--	--
Olympic Educational Service District	38	32%	--	--	2	6%
Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe	--	--	0	0%	--	--
Suquamish Tribe	10	56%	--	--	--	--
Kitsap County Total	48	35%	0	0%	2	6%