

Douglas County Early Childhood Council

Update for Board of Health Meeting

June 12, 2025

1. Successfully completed the second year of Universal Preschool. A total of 4,655 children participated in 161 programs.
2. Applications for Universal Preschool for the 2025/26 School year are open and we currently have 3705 applications.
3. Successfully completed the renewal of our endorsement as the Douglas County Early Childhood Council and as the Local Coordinating Organization for Universal Preschool.
4. Actively working with a group of County Departments to implement a property tax rebate for Childcare programs. This work is based on Senate Bill 24-002 which was passed and implemented in July 2024. We hope to present all of the information to the County Commissioners in July and be able to begin the program in September. If the Commissioners accept this project, we will be the first county in the state to implement the new law.