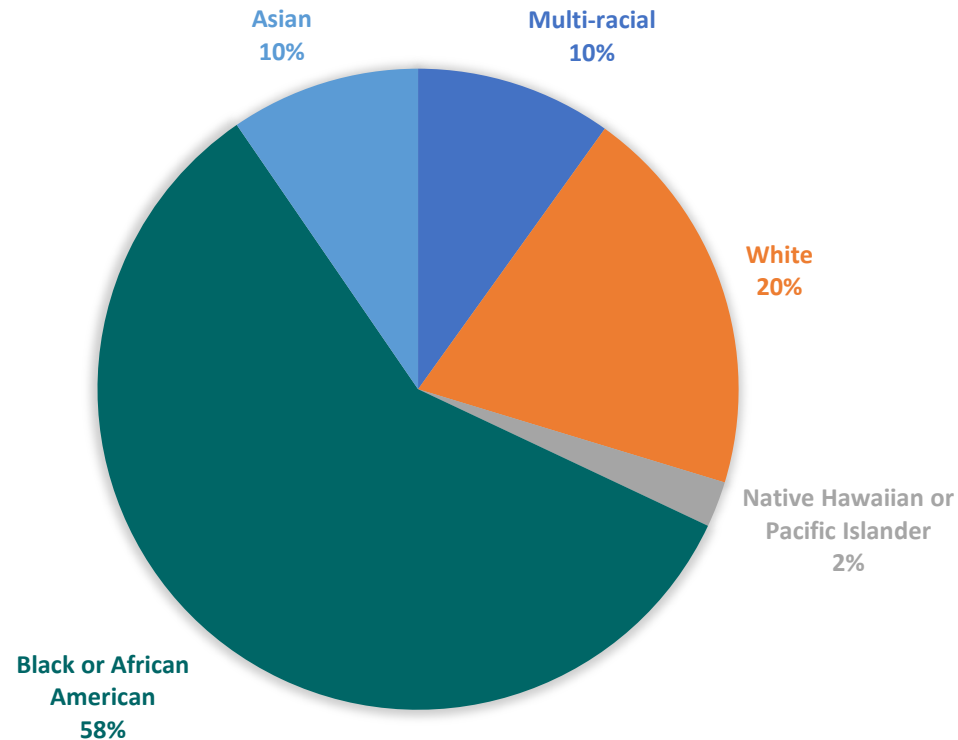




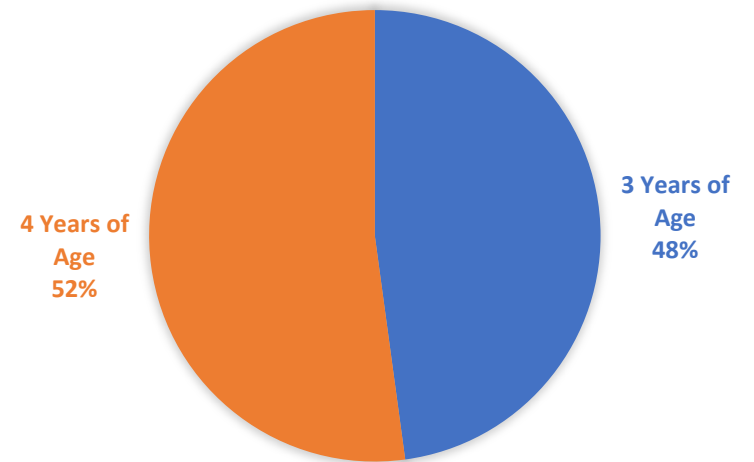
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HoCo Head Start: *Serving a diverse community*

POPULATION DATA
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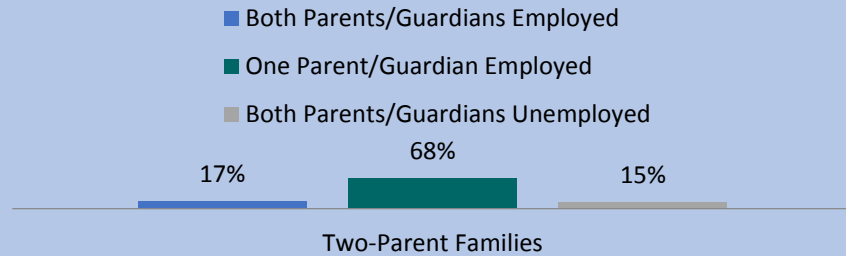
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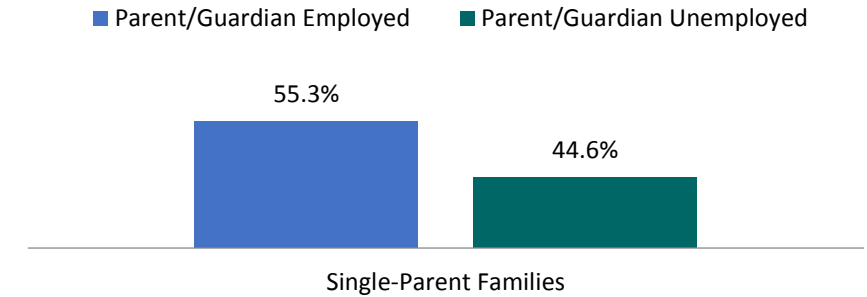
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HoCo Head Start: *Meeting families where they are*

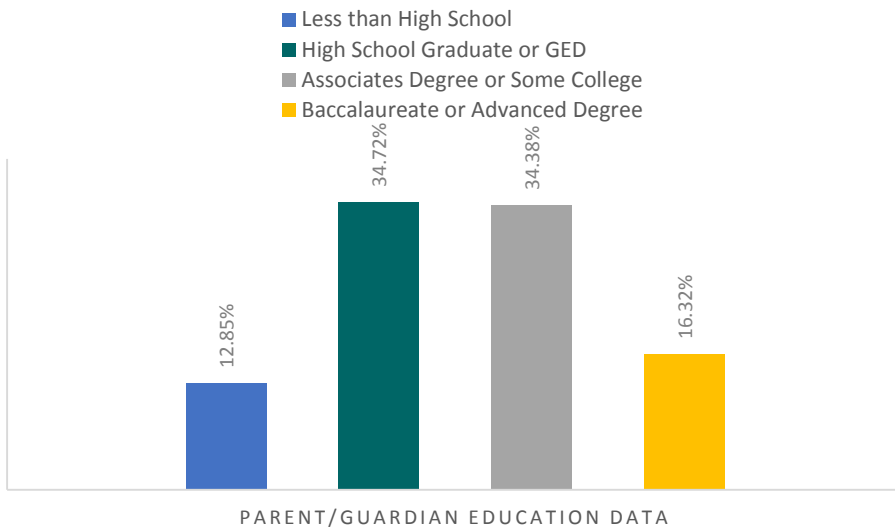
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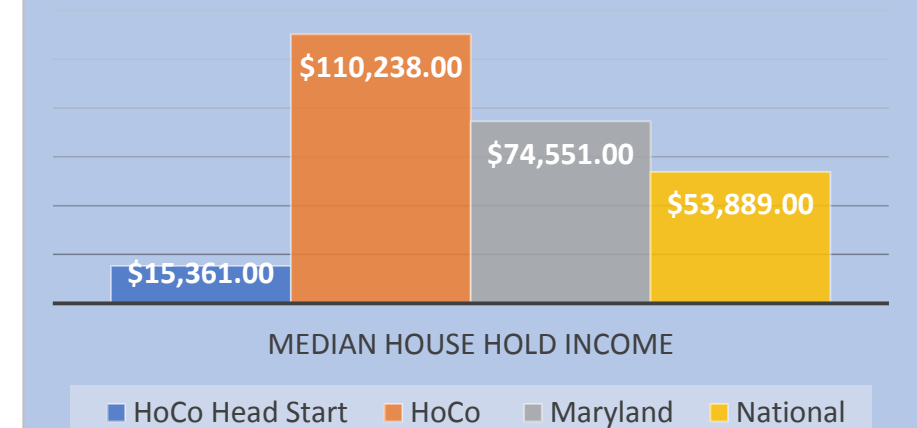
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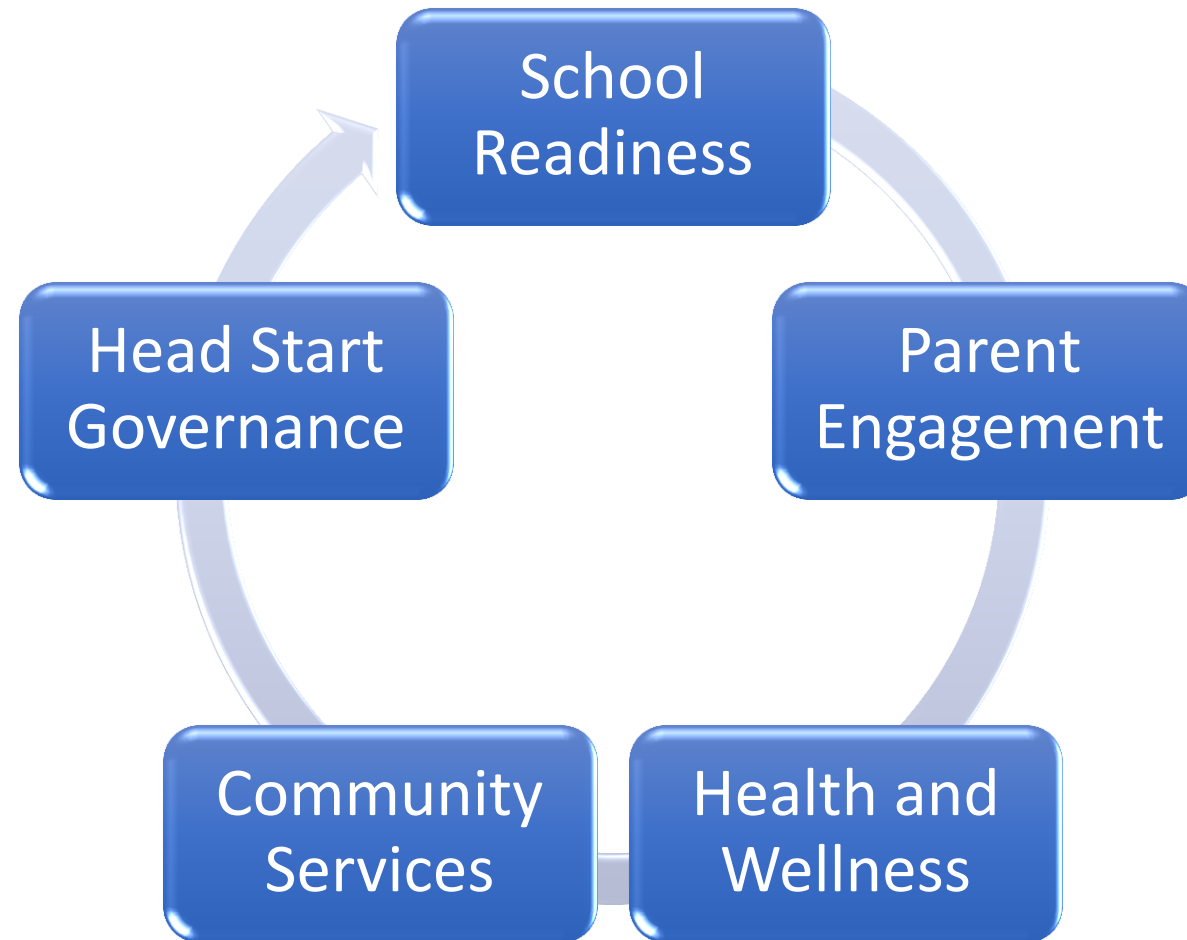


HoCo Household Income



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HoCo Head Start: *Creating a comprehensive program model that supports the whole family*



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HoCo Head Start: *Improving overall health and wellness of our students, families and staff*



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Driving Factors:

- New Head Start Performance Standard “Suspension and Expulsion”
- Increase in behaviors and disabilities leading to increased referrals to Child Find and Disabilities and Behavioral Caseloads
- Impact of trauma on families experiencing “*toxic stress*”
- Data Informed Service Delivery



Restructuring Mental and Behavioral Health Services

- Expanded Professional Development opportunities for HS Teachers and Management, Transportation and Family Service team
- Introduction of Social Play Groups facilitated by licensed clinicians (2018)
- Individualized and Group Coaching sessions for Teachers (In-Class and real time)
- Services supported by developmental screening tools including DECAs & ASQ's to establish baseline and student progress
- Pre-School Mental Health Climate Scale administered throughout all 17 Head Start classrooms

HoCo Head Start: *Responding to community need through preparation and execution*



Blended Funding from:

- Federal Head Start Funding
- State Pre-K Expansion and Supplemental Funding
- Public/Private Investments

Resulting in:

- Full Day , Full Year Program Model
- Eight Pre-k Classrooms staffed by MD Certified Teachers
- Expanded training opportunities for teaching/Admin Staff
- Addition of Behavioral Specialist and Registered Nurse
- Parent & Family Engagement- 2 Generational Approach
- New Partnerships with New Genesis Consulting Group & Maryland University of Integrated Health

HoCo Head Start: *Setting the pace for early childhood education*

All centers have
highest Maryland
Excels Rating
5

All centers are
MSDE
Accredited



All Centers are
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“While we cannot direct the wind, we
can adjust the sails.”

Bernice Agyare-Tanor, Head Start Parent