DEMONSTRATE READINESS

63,151 KINDERGARTENERS

35% KINDERGARTENERS ASSESSED

High poverty jurisdictions show lower readiness

5 of the 8 jurisdictions with lower than average readiness levels have a higher percentage of kindergarteners living in poverty.

Gender gap favors females

Fewer kindergarteners with identified disabilities demonstrate readiness

English proficiency impacts school readiness

Benefits of early education are clear

PRIOR CARE EXPERIENCE & READINESS

Parent-Reported Prior Care Experience

DEMONSTRATE KINDERGARTEN READINESS

Parents Reported Prior Care Experience

PUBLICLY FUNDED PREK ENROLLMENT

Not Enrolled

Enrolled

34%

56%

44%

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* Readiness and demographic information for students of American Indian (0.3% of Maryland’s kindergarten enrollment) and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander (0.2%) ethnic backgrounds are not reported due to limited sample size.