

The background of the slide is a composite image. The top left portion shows several yellow school buses parked in a lot, with the word 'SCHOOL BUS' visible on the front of one. The bottom left portion shows a classroom with blue walls, decorated with colorful balloons and framed pictures. There are several small tables and chairs arranged in the room.

State-Funded Preschool Funding Rates

Kentucky Board of Education
June 2026

History and Background

- The state-funded preschool program offers comprehensive services to 3- and 4-year-old children with disabilities and low income 4-year-old children.
- Each year KBE reviews proposed preschool per-child funding rates for approval.

Funding Formula

- A formula is used to provide funding to school districts, and amounts are based on the average number of children served on Dec. 1 and March 1 of the previous academic year.
- There is a standard “per-child” rate for three categories of enrollment (at-risk, speech, developmental delays).
- There is a weighted category for 3- and 4-year-olds with severe disabilities.

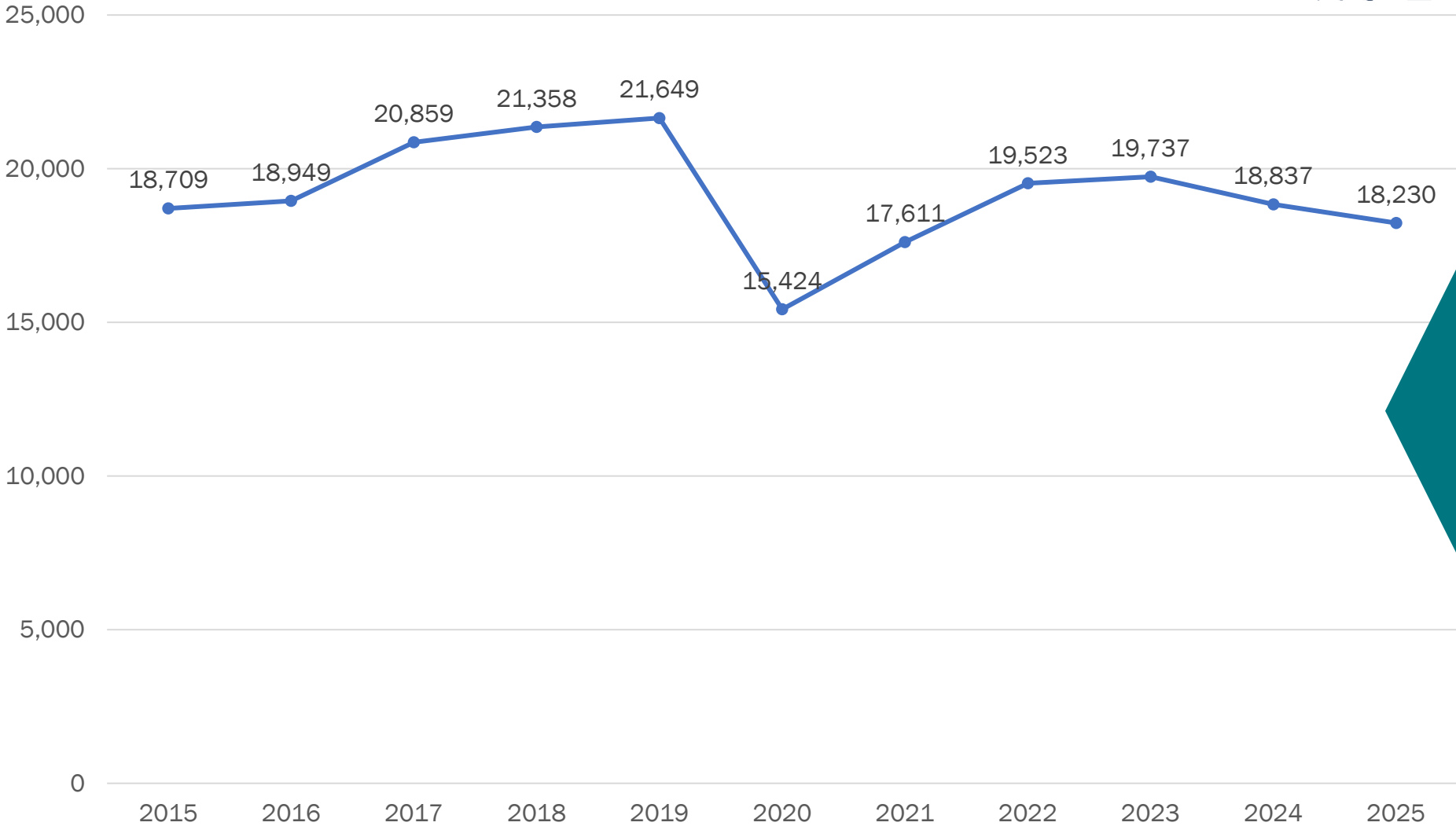
Preschool Rates for At-Risk and Disabilities 2021-2022 through 2026-2027

Categories	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	2026-2027
At-Risk	\$5,064	\$4,395	\$3,937	\$3,889	\$4,002	\$4,174
Speech	\$5,064	\$4,395	\$3,937	\$3,889	\$4,002	\$4,174
Developmental Delay	\$5,064	\$4,395	\$3,937	\$3,889	\$4,002	\$4,174
Severe	\$9,622	\$8,349	\$7,481	\$7,389	\$7,643	\$7,929

State-Funded Preschool Count on December 1 2015-2025



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**Preschool
Enrollment
(total)**

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