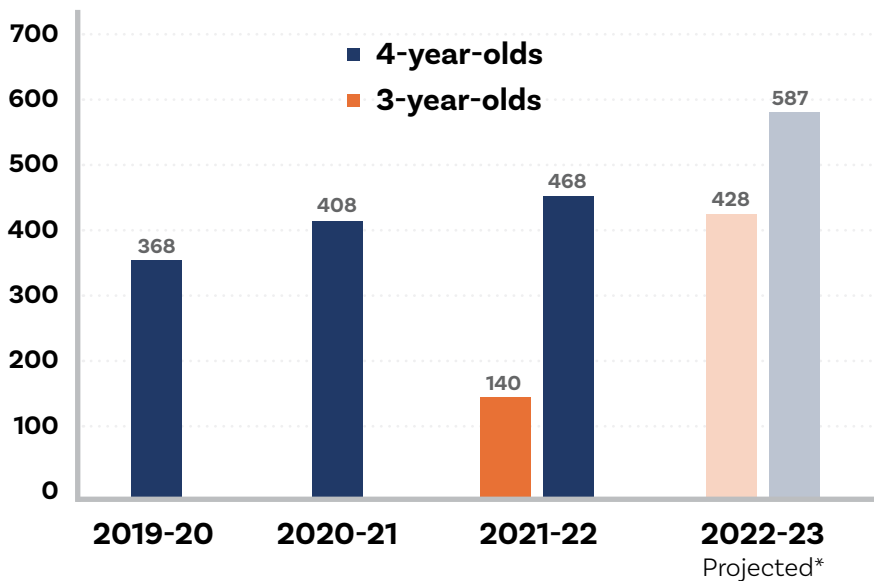


Boston Universal Pre-K Program

2021-2022 Year in Review

Boston Universal Pre-K was launched in 2019 to provide free, high-quality prekindergarten to all 4-year-olds in the City of Boston by partnering with community provider organizations. The program continues to expand and now serves 3-year-olds to meet community need. Pre-k is a 6.5-hour school day for 180 days per year. This publication highlights the program's impact and expansion over time in community provider settings.

Boston UPK community provider enrollment



92%

CAPACITY (100%)

- **Seats filled to 92% capacity in 2021-22:** 4-year-olds were 90% full and 3-year-olds were 98% full
- **83%** of community provider seats were filled prior to the start of the school year
- 21 organizations, 32 community provider sites (28 sites with funded seats, 4 were beginning sites)

Services provided to UPK community providers & classroom data



78 engagement opportunities offered to staff at UPK-funded community providers in 2021-22, including professional development and workshops for educators, administrators, and family engagement staff. Events and workshops are hosted by Boston UPK and its community partners.



383 families served through events, trainings, and partner resource opportunities



28 of 41 UPK classrooms reached high quality across all areas measured. **33 of 41** classrooms showed **70%** adherence to the curriculum, while **29** classrooms showed quality scores of 3.5 or higher (1-4 scale).

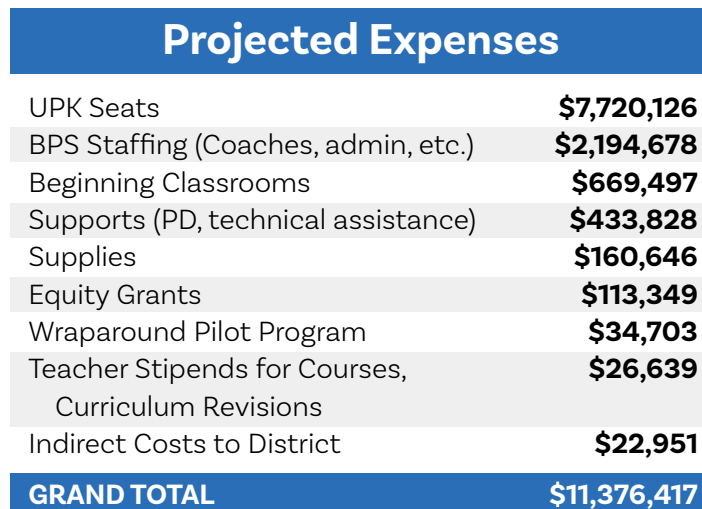
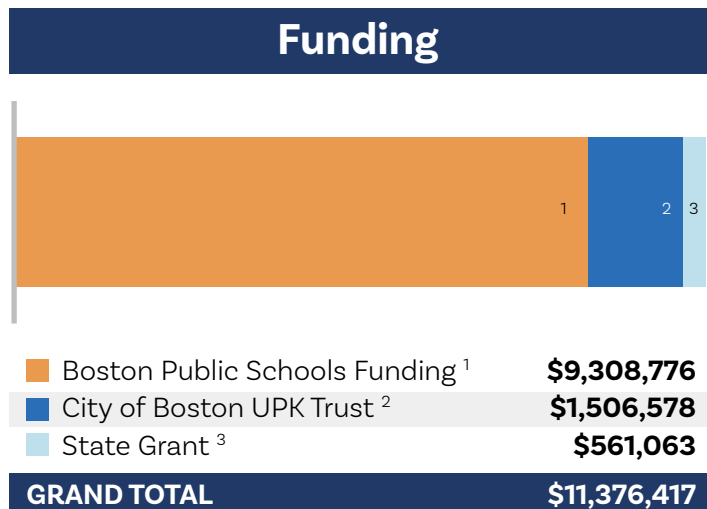


101 referrals made for Special Education, Behavioral Health, and Related Services



214 coaching sessions/site visits in 2021-22 to ensure high-quality instructional practices

Projected funding and expenses for Fiscal Year 2022

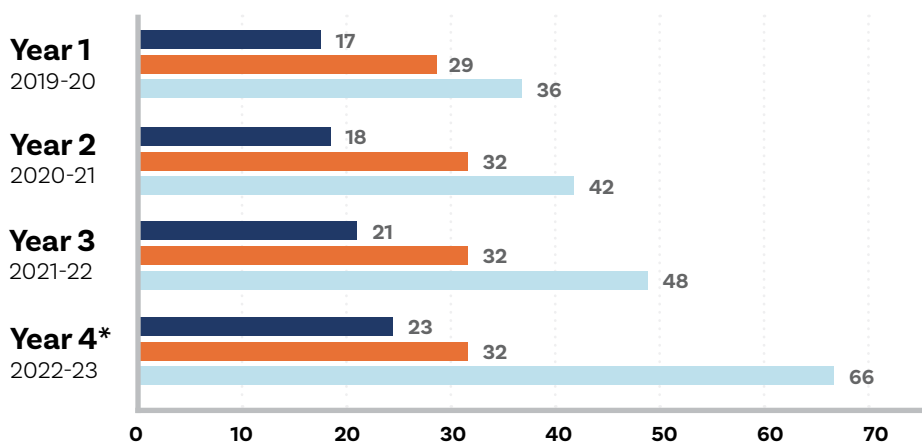


UPK community provider programs over time

Since 2019-20, Boston UPK has steadily grown, increasing the number of community provider organizations served, site locations and total classrooms.

- **Organizations**
- **Sites**
- **Total classrooms**

* Projected



Testimonials

“This is our twin girls’ first year in school and what a great experience it has been. I can’t believe how much my girls have grown within this past year. Our conversations are a lot more mature and they are more eager to learn. They both can count to 30 in both English and Vietnamese. UPK has definitely prepared them for kindergarten and I know they will be able to walk in with confidence.”

— **Parent of UPK students at VietAID Âu Cơ Preschool**

“UPK makes it possible to pay excellent teachers a competitive salary, have regular, supportive coaching, and invest in our classrooms continually. Our teachers appreciate the high-quality curriculum and are proud to be part of the UPK community. Our students are thriving, and parents are thrilled with our partnership with BPS. Our UPK classrooms set the bar internally and elevate our organization.”

— **Chief Executive Officer at Ellis Early Learning**