

# PRE-K PARTNERSHIPS:

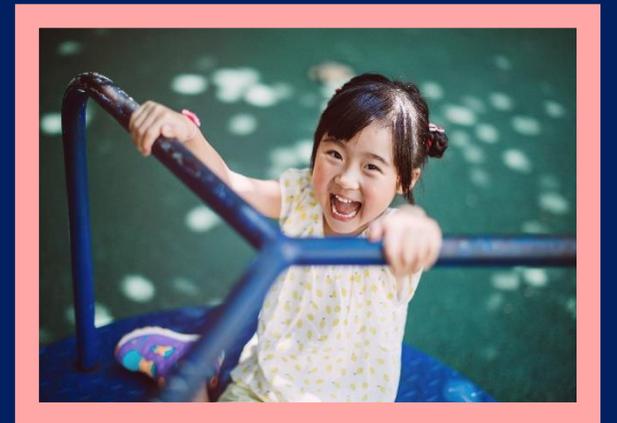
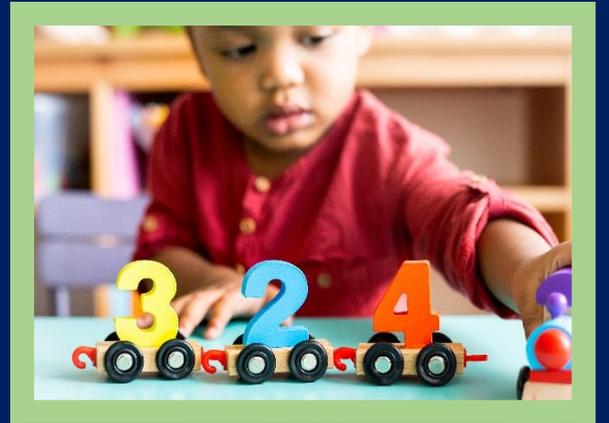
Capital Area Workforce Development Board  
Provider Advisory Council

## Pre-K Partnerships

Child Care & Early Learning Division

Texas Workforce Commission

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# Introductions

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- **Texas Workforce Commission**
  - *Stephanie Bonnet-Kramer* – State Coordinator
  - *Michelle Gibson* – Assistant State Coordinator
  - *Mary Jamsek* – Regional Supervisor
  - *Olivia Gibson* – Pre-K Partnership Specialist
- **Capital Area Provider Advisory Council**

# Pre-K Partnership Initiative



**\$26 million approved by the Commission**

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27 Pre-K Partnership staff

\$20,000 for **new partnership classroom** start-up costs

\$7,000 for **alternative teacher certification**

\$250,000 for program evaluation

# Pre-K Partnership Goals

## Overall Goals:

- Generate interest in pre-k partnerships
- Increase the number of school districts, charter schools, and child care programs participating in formal pre-k partnerships



# Pre-K Partnerships

A collaboration between a lead education agency pre-k program and one or more quality-rated child care programs to provide high-quality care and education to eligible three- and four-year-old children

## Formal Partnerships

- Children are dually enrolled
- State funding is passed through
- Requires a certified teacher

## Informal Partnerships

- Children are not dually enrolled
- No funding passed through
- Partners share resources and information

# Purpose of Pre-K Partnerships



- Expand opportunities for families



- Open communication between LEA & CCP to align resources and services



- Build school readiness for children and continuity of care for families



- Help LEA meet full-day pre-k requirement

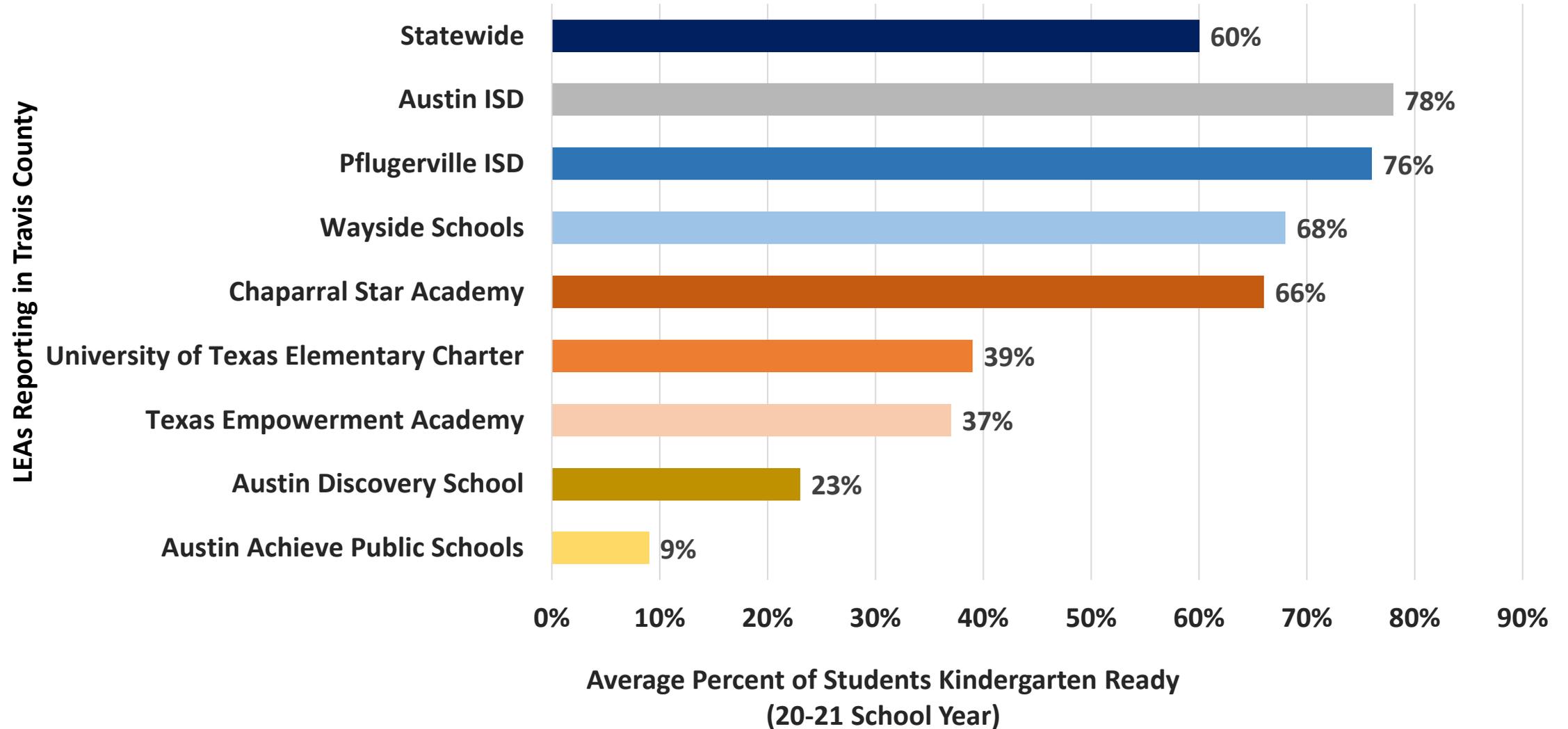


- Serve more eligible students



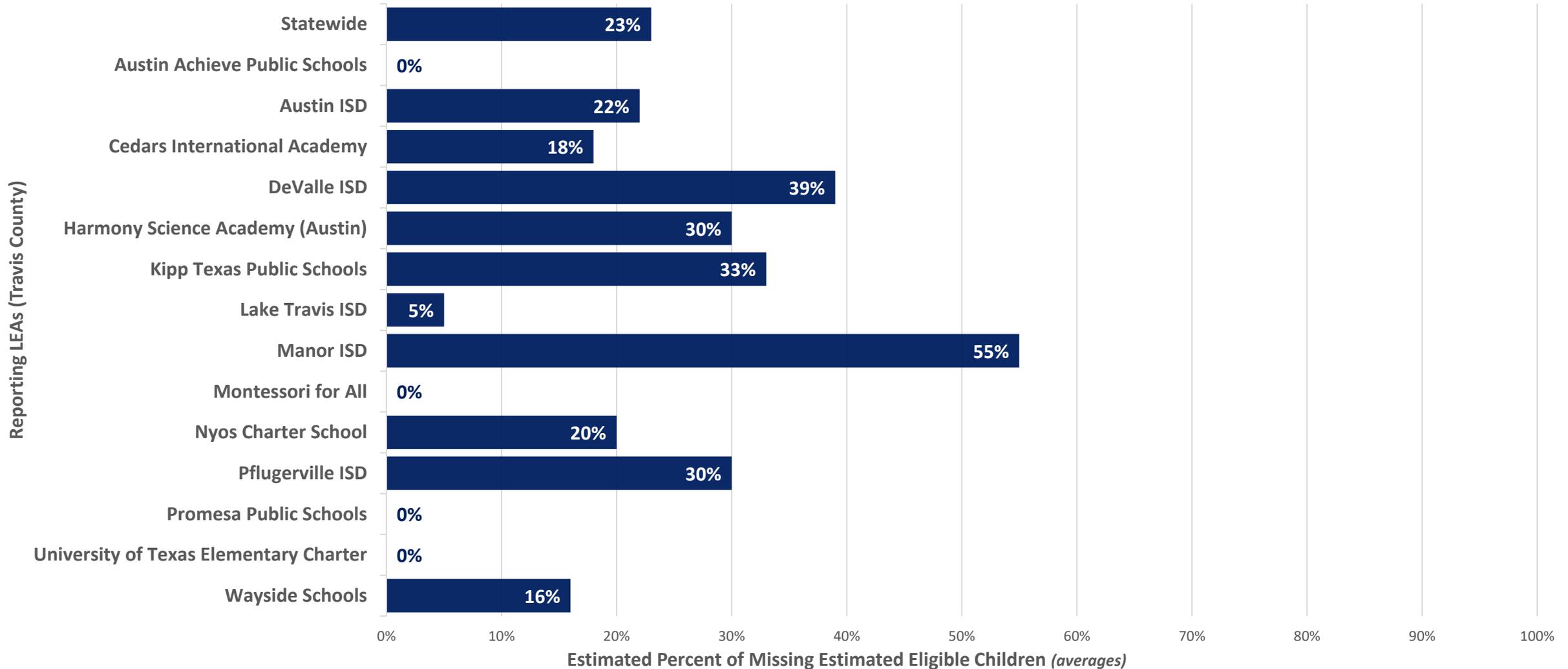
- Open new streams of funding

# Kindergarten Readiness by LEA



Notes: Capital Area WFDB N=7,436; Source: Texas Education Agency, January 2022.

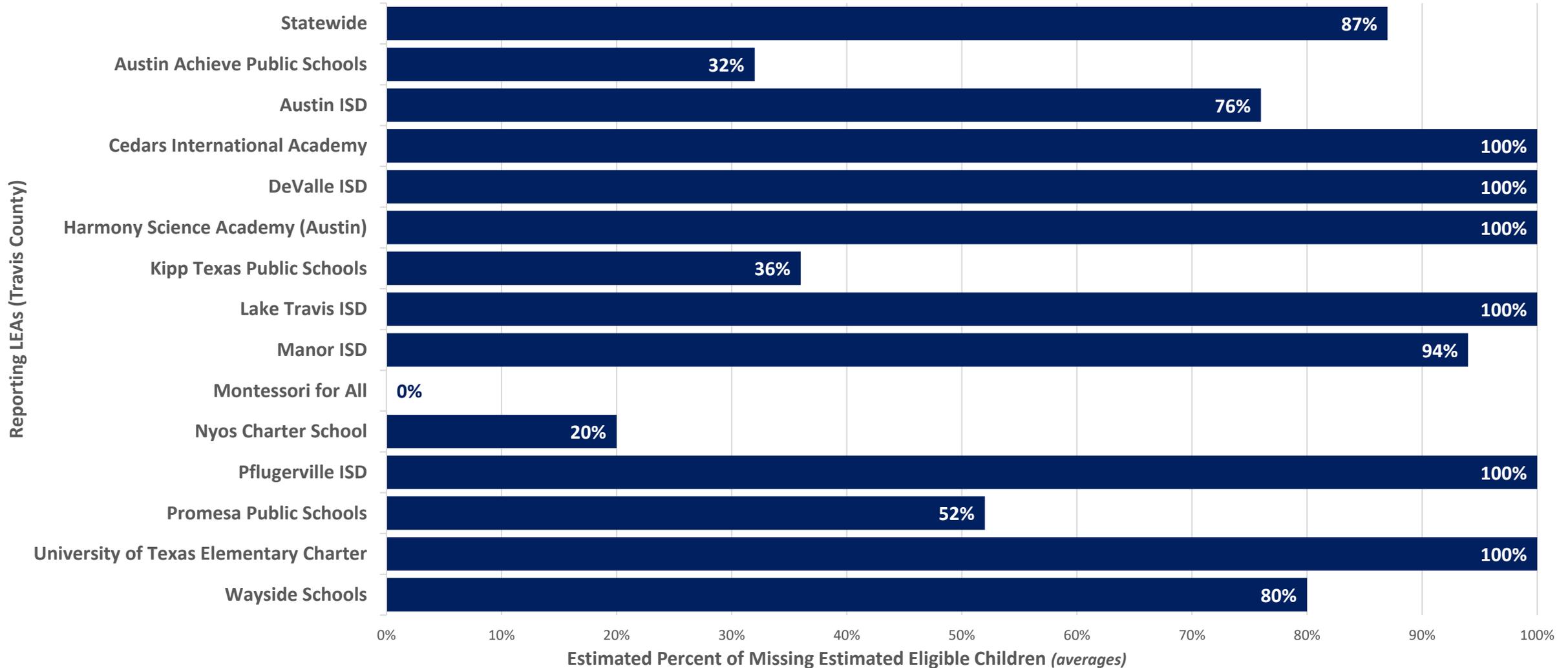
# Missing Eligible Pre-K 4 Children



Source: Texas Education Agency, January 2022.

■ Pre-k 4

# Missing Eligible Pre-K 3 Children



Source: Texas Education Agency, January 2022.

■ Pre-k 3

# Potentially Pre-K Eligible Children in CCS

	Workforce Solutions Capital Area	
	Texas Rising Star 3- and 4-Star CCS Providers	All CCS Providers
<b>PreK-3</b>	286	458
<b>PreK-4</b>	288	453
<b>Total</b>	566	911

*Note: CCS=Child Care Services program; Source: Texas Workforce Commission, April 2022.*

# Outcomes of Pre-K Partnerships

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**Diverse high-quality  
early educational  
opportunities**

**Financial stability to  
the 0-5 ecosystem**

**Pathway to  
future educational  
experiences**

# Getting Started

**Child care programs and school districts/charter schools can complete the interest form linked below to connect with a member of the Pre-K Partnership Team and begin the partnership process.**



[https://twcearlylearning.force.com/prekpartnerships/s/?language=en\\_US](https://twcearlylearning.force.com/prekpartnerships/s/?language=en_US)





# Contact Us

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Please send any inquiries about pre-k partnerships to:

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For more information about pre-k partnerships visit:

<https://www.childcare.texas.gov/prek-partnerships>

