

P-3 & Leadership Financial Assistance Cohorts & Priorities

Cohort I	Great Falls Schools District Hardin School District CMHS Head Start, Lewistown Area RMDC Head Start, Helena Area HRDC Head Start, Bozeman Area Bozeman School District Anaconda School District Libby School District
Cohort II	Fort Peck Head Start Blackfeet Early Childhood Center Head Start Anaconda-Deer Lodge County Head Start Crow Nation Head Start Kootenai Valley Head Start, Libby and Troy Browning Public Schools
Cohort III	Kalispell School District Northwest Montana Head Start Butte Head Start Butte School District Northern Cheyenne Head Start Rocky Boy Head Start Confederated Salish Kootenai Tribes Early Childhood Center (Ronan area) Fort Belknap Head Start

First Priority

- Lead teachers in targeted programs
- Assistant teachers and aides in targeted programs

Second Priority

- Lead teacher, assistant teachers, and teacher aides who live in the targeted communities working in a state licensed/registered child care program, Head Start, Early Head Start, Public School Preschool, or Tribal Child Care program
- Special Education P -12 licensed preschool teachers in targeted community school districts

Third Priority

- Non-teachers (such as family engagement coordinators, program directors, education managers, curriculum coordinators, site supervisors, disability coordinators, specialists) working in the targeted programs pursuing an early childhood master's degree at UM (either track) or at MSU
- Non-teachers working in the targeted programs pursuing the ECE: P – 3
- Non-teachers working in other early childhood programs (as defined in Priority 2 above) in the targeted communities

Fourth Priority

- Teachers working in a state licensed/registered child care program, Head Start, Early Head Start, Public School Preschool, or Tribal Child Care in other communities.

Fifth Priority

- K – 3 teachers in targeted communities