
Rural Alaska Community Action Program, Inc.

Head Start

Early Head Start

Parents as Teachers



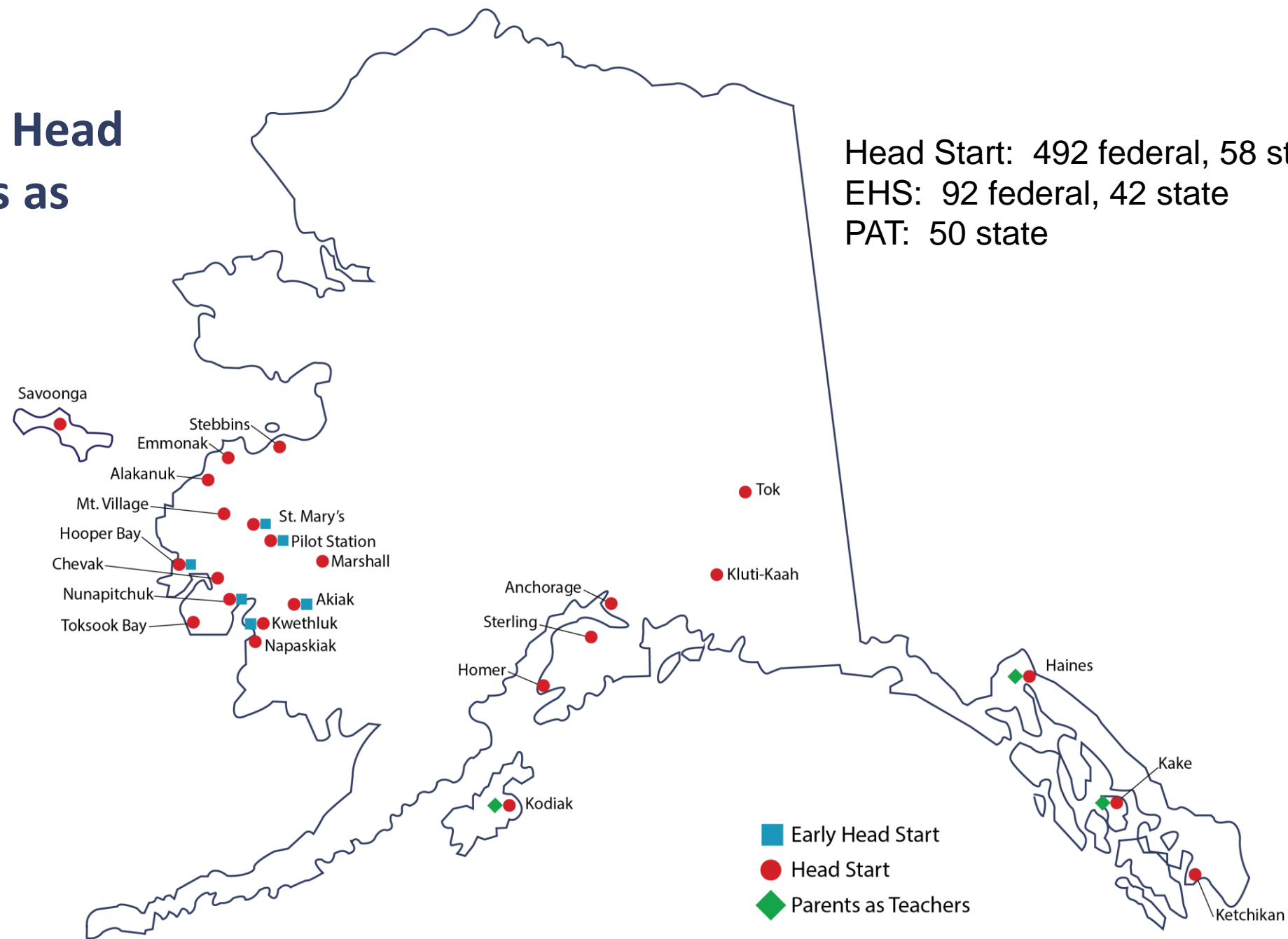
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Head Start, Early Head Start and Parents as Teachers Programs

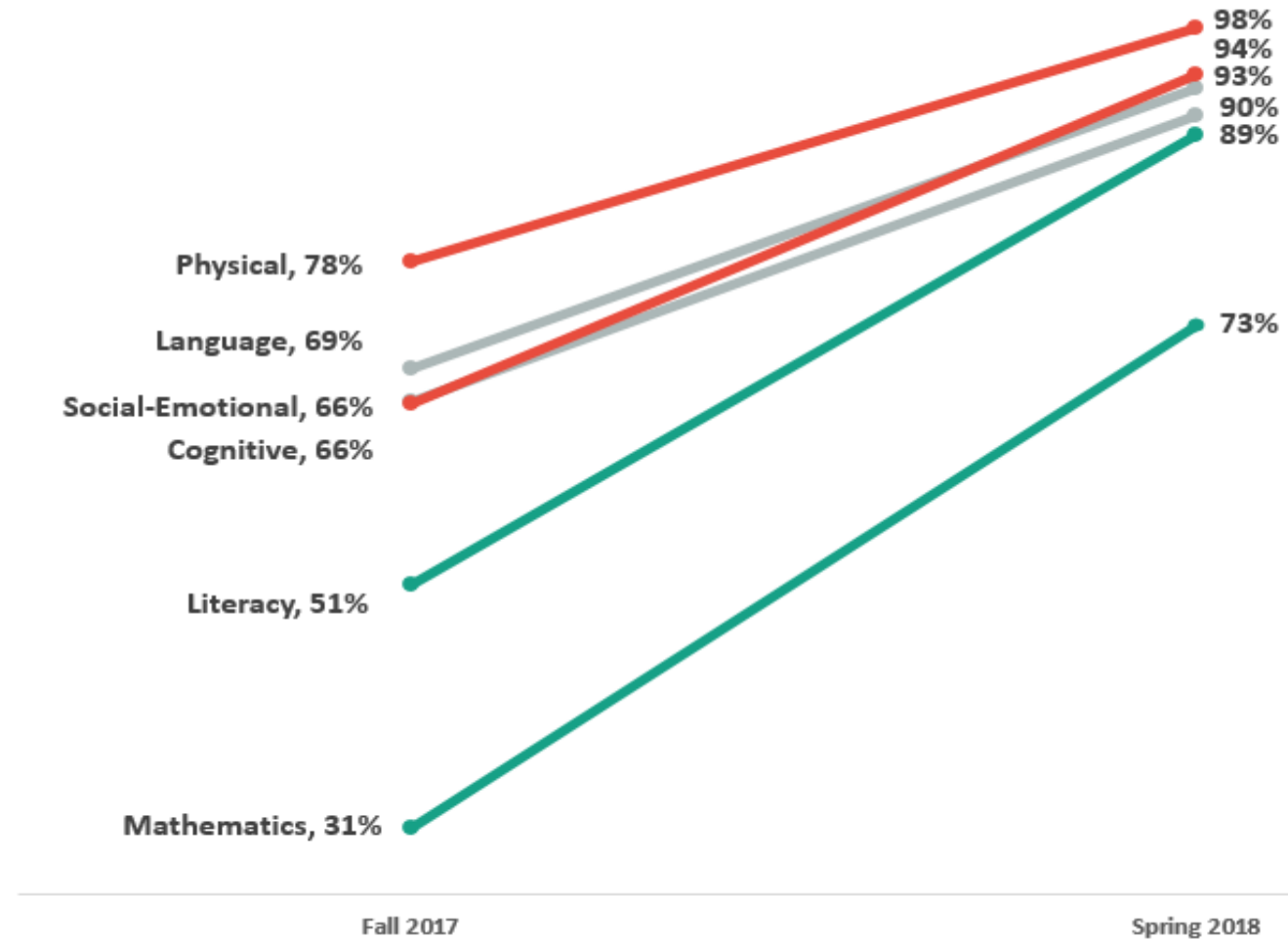
Head Start: 492 federal, 58 state
EHS: 92 federal, 42 state
PAT: 50 state



17-18 School Readiness Outcomes – 4's

The greatest growth was experienced in the **Mathematics** and **Literacy** domains.

During the spring of 2018, children were performing highest in the **Physical** and **Language** domains.



Developmental Screenings

Program	Number Screened	Number with IEP Prior to Enrollment	Number Identified During Enrollment	Total with IEP/IFSP
Head Start	610	34	25	59
Early Head Start	132	1	1	2
Parents as Teachers	96	4	0	4

Health Services – Screening, Referrals & Treatment

Head Start & Early Head Start

Health Screening/ Assessment	Number Screened	Concern Identified	Received/Receiving Treatment
Hearing	750	11	4
Vision	751	31	11
Physical/Well Baby Check	670	3	3
Dental	599	130	130
Lead Screening	524	1	1
Hemoglobin	401	63	61

Parents as Teachers

Health Screening	Number Screened	Concern Identified	Referrals
Hearing	97	4	3
Vision	95	0	0

Impact of Decrements to our programs

Head Start

- Eliminate services to 238-240 children and their families
- Close 12 classrooms
- 8 - 12 communities would lose access to Head Start services
- 57 FTE staff positions eliminated
- \$150K- \$300K/year economic loss per community

Early Head Start

- Eliminate services to 50 children and their families
- 2 communities would lose access to EHS services
- 5 FTE staff positions eliminated
- \$85K-\$120K/year economic loss per community

Parents as Teachers

- Eliminate services to 50 children and their families
- 3 communities would lose access to PAT services
- 3 FTE staff positions eliminated
- \$30K - \$55K/year economic loss per community

Alaska Head Start Association



Amber Frommherz

Head Start Director

Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska

Frequently Asked Questions

- Who is eligible for Head Start?
 - Can others outside of the federal eligibility criteria receive Head Start services?
 - Is there a waitlist?
 - When did the state start supporting Head Start?
 - Where is the state money going?
 - How can Non Federal Share (NFS) be met?
 - Will the new federal Preschool Development Grant (PDG) provide direct services?
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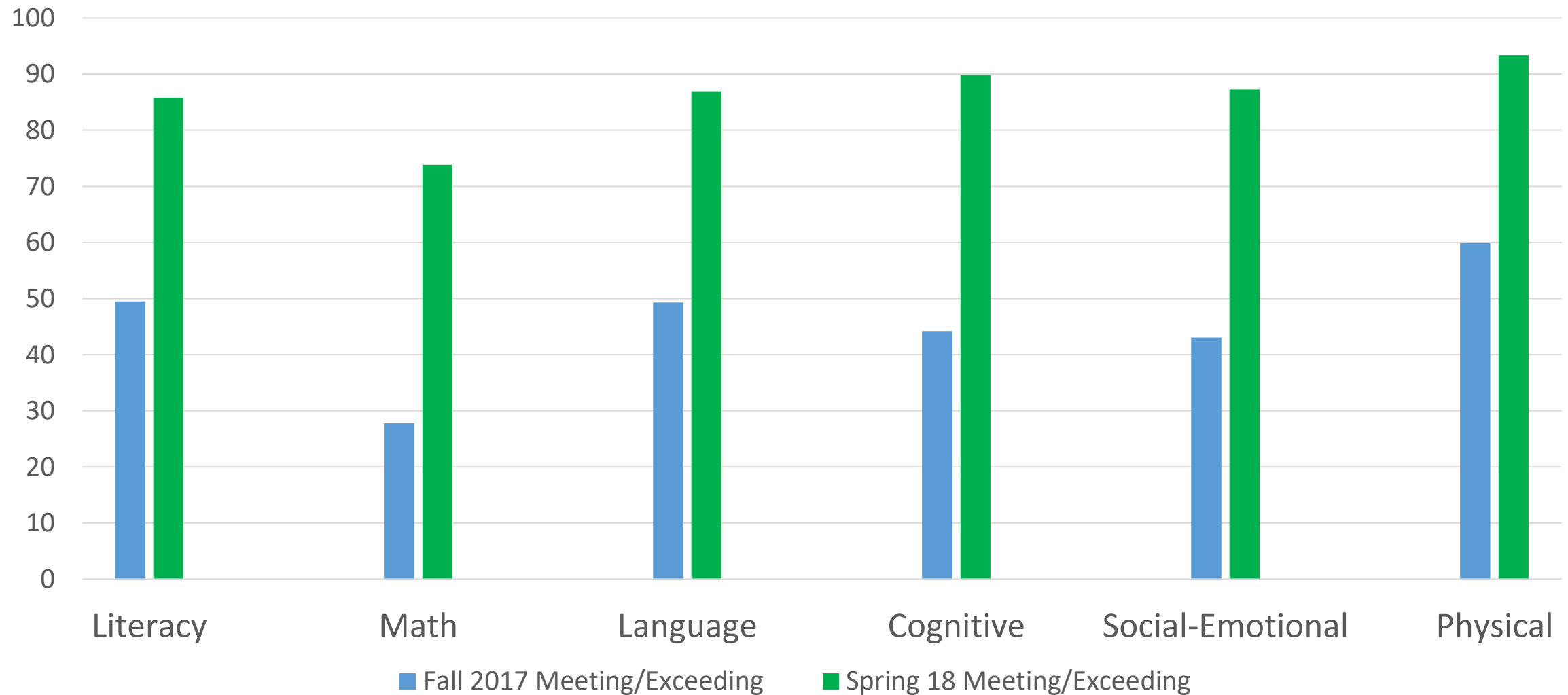
Where is Head Start and Early Head Start in Alaska?

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| ■ Akiachak | ■ Haines | ■ Minto | ■ St. Michaels |
| ■ Akiak | ■ Holy Cross | ■ Mountain Village | ■ Stebbins |
| ■ Alakanuk | ■ Homer | ■ Nanwalek | ■ Sterling |
| ■ Allakaket | ■ Hoonah | ■ Napaskiak | ■ Sutton |
| ■ Anchorage | ■ Hooper Bay | ■ Nenana | ■ Tanana |
| ■ <i>Arctic Village</i> | ■ Hughes | ■ New Stuyahok | ■ Teller |
| ■ Angoon | ■ Huslia | ■ Nome | ■ Tetlin |
| ■ Bethel | ■ Iliamna | ■ Northway | ■ Togiak |
| ■ Big Lake | ■ Juneau | ■ Nulato | ■ Tok |
| ■ Brevig Mission | ■ Kake | ■ Nunapitchuk | ■ Toksook Bay |
| ■ Chefornak | ■ Kenai | ■ Palmer | ■ Tuluksak |
| ■ Chevak | ■ Ketchikan | ■ Petersburg | ■ Tuntutliak |
| ■ Chugiak | ■ King Cove | ■ Pilot Station | ■ Unalaska |
| ■ Craig | ■ Kipnuk | ■ Port Graham | ■ <i>Venetie</i> |
| ■ Dillingham | ■ Klawock | ■ Quinhagak | ■ Wasilla |
| ■ Elim | ■ Kodiak | ■ Russian Mission | ■ White Mountain |
| ■ Emmonak | ■ Kotlik | ■ Saint Mary's | ■ Wrangell |
| ■ Fairbanks | ■ Koyuk | ■ Sand Point | ■ Yakutat |
| ■ Fort Yukon | ■ Kwethluk | ■ Savoonga | |
| ■ Galena | ■ Manokotak | ■ Scammon Bay | |
| ■ Gambell | ■ Marshall | ■ Shaktoolik | |
| ■ Golovin | ■ McGrath | ■ Shishmaref | |
| ■ Grayling | ■ Metlakatla | ■ Sitka | |

Bold= HS and
EHS
Italicized= EHS
only

Alaska Head Start School Readiness Outcomes:

2017-18 - 4 year olds



Alaska Head Start/EHS Outcomes:

Services for Children

Up-to-Date on Medical Care

2,075

Preventive & Primary Care

3,382

Immunizations

Dental Care

2,008

Children completed **Dental Exams**

81%

Of children diagnosed as
needing treatment have
**received or are receiving
treatment**

Family Services

1,453

Of **3,555** Families were referred
for and received **family
services including** basic needs,
health, mental health,
parenting education and job
training

Disability Services

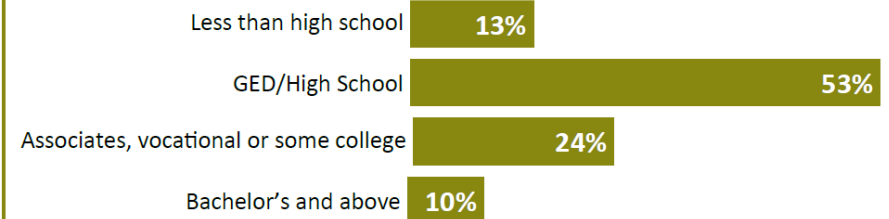
8.7%

of **Early Head Start**
children had an
IFSP

11.4%

of **Head Start**
children had an
IEP

Parent Education and Employment



2,708 Families had one or more parents employed

546 Families had one or more parents in job training or school

133 Had one or more parent complete a job training program,
professional certificate, or license

Impact of Decrement on Head Start/EHS in Alaska:

- Elimination of 534 children in Head Start/Early Head Start programs
 - 178 of these children are funded solely through state dollars
- Elimination of 138 FTE staff positions
- Loss of state funding to 16 federal Head Start/Early Head Start grantees to use as match
 - Each grantee will have to renegotiate their federal budget if they are unable to meet the 20% non-federal share, putting federal Head Start funding at risk
- Unrecovered cost of closing programs