Waterford UPSTART

Kindergarten Readiness for Utah Families September 2019



Overview:

- 1. Current program enrollment Waterford
- 2. UPSTART Evaluation USBE
- 3. Engagement of At-Risk Students and Recommendations DWS
- 4. Future Program Expansion Options and Costs USBE



Current UPSTART State Participation - September 2019

As of September 3rd: 19,801 represents 39% of all 4-year olds in the state and leaves 31,000 unserved

Utah State Board of Education Projection 4 PRE-K for this current year: 50,807 children



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Timeline for Continued Enrollment 2019

UPSTART enrollments and training continue until the end of October each year to meet the needs of families deciding to seek support for their 4-year-olds beyond the traditional start of school timeline. Fall is one of the busiest enrollment seasons.

Waterford is averaging 500 registrations a week and is on track for a final registration count of **19,801 by October 31, 2019.**



Comparison of 2018 to 2019 Enrollment Conversion

(September 3, 2019; numbers change on a daily basis)





USBE Longitudinal Analysis

USBE is currently completing a longitudinal analysis that will be completed in October and will include:

- UPSTART students Pre-K to 3rd (Cohort 6)
- Comparison of literacy outcomes of Cohort 6 with students who did not participate in UPSTART
- The effects of UPSTART on literacy outcomes over time



Maps of UPSTART program participation in Year 1 and Year 10

District 4 Year-Olds Participating in UPSTART Year 1





District 4 Year-Olds Participating in UPSTART

Year 10



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UPSTART had significant impact on a majority of early literacy domains

Effect Size Estimates by Literacy Construct









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Engagement of Students who are At-risk for Academic Failure and Recommendations

UPSTART and Department of Workforce Services

Facilitating outreach to families



Options for UPSTART Expansion

2019 RFP/Contract Requested Statewide License Costs in Proposals

- Cost would be \$635 per child for Tier 3 with a statewide access model.
- Total Cost: \$32,262,445.00





Evaluation of Tiers in Parent Choice Model

Tier 1: UPSTART Software Only

Tier 2: UPSTART with Digital Communication (public and private school option for implementation)

Tier 3: UPSTART with Full Implementation Support

USBE is engaged with external evaluator ETI to evaluate the usage and graduation rates for the tiers to inform statewide license structure.





Questions?

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