Act 46, Session Laws of Hawaii 2020
Established goal to provide all keiki ages 3 and 4 with preschool enrollment by 2032

Act 257, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022
Appropriated $200 million to expand access to pre-kindergarten eligible children by:
- Constructing new school facilities
- Renovating existing facilities to increase pre-kindergarten capacity
- Other costs to increase pre-kindergarten capacity within the state
Hawaii Population of Underserved Pre-Kindergarten Keiki

- **35,272** Total 3 & 4-year-olds
- **18,921** Served by Existing Classrooms
- **7,054** Opt-out from Pre-K
- **9,297** Underserved Keiki

### Ready Keiki

- **465** Classrooms Needed
Delivery Model:
Empowering Family Centered Decisions

- The mission of Ready Keiki is to deliver pre-kindergarten access to Hawaii’s children
- Including both our public and private providers
- Current Pre-Kindergarten Delivery in Hawaii:
  - 17,978 Licensed Private Preschool Seats
  - 943 Public Pre-Kindergarten Seats

- Serving Hawaii’s 9,297 under-served keiki means empowering Hawaii’s families to pick pre-kindergarten programs that meet their needs.
Pathway to 465 Classrooms

Private Pathway

Public Pathway

Mixed Delivery Pathway
Pathway to 465 Classrooms

Private Pathway
DHS Preschool
Open Doors

- Increased Subsidy per Keiki
- More Permissive Eligibility Qualifications for Families
- Accreditation Pathway for Providers
- Current appropriation of $11.6 million serves over 1,400 children
- Expand program to add 3-year-olds
- Approx. Cost of Expansion = $50.4 million
Pathway to 465 Classrooms

Public Pathway

Public Classrooms

- Building EOEL Classrooms: 23
- Building Charter Pre-K Classrooms: 12
- Building Pre-K Classrooms at DOE campuses: 37
- Building Pre-K Classrooms at UH Campuses
Pathway to 465 Classrooms

Mixed Delivery Pathway
Contracting at State Facilities

• Kamamalu Park
• Hawaii Convention Center
• Public Libraries
• Imiloa Astronomy Center
• Private Employers
Workforce Development

- 465 classrooms will require:
  - 465 new Pre-K Teachers
  - 465 new Pre-K Teacher’s Assistants

Traditional Programs:
- University of Hawaii – College of Education Pathway
- University of Hawaii Community Colleges
- Department of Education Early College Pathway

New Programs:
- Imiloa Immersion Program
- Ready Keiki Promise Program (University of Hawaii)
Program Realization

$200 Million State Investment (Act 257, SLH 2022)
- EOEL Pre-K Classrooms Statewide
- DOE/Charter School Pre-K Classrooms Statewide
- UH Pre-K Classrooms Statewide
- Keʻelikolani Middle School

$400 Million State Investment (Session 2023)
- DHS Preschool Open Doors Expansion
- Public Classroom Operating Costs: $160,000-$200,000 per Classroom

$200 Million Private Investment
- Mixed Delivery Pathway (Hawaii Convention Center)
- Development of Workforce Pathways
- Program Staffing and Operating Costs
- Additional Construction of Pre-K Classrooms