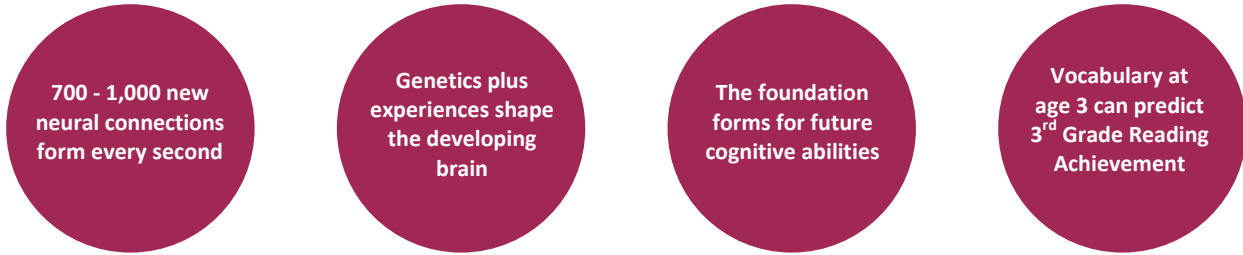


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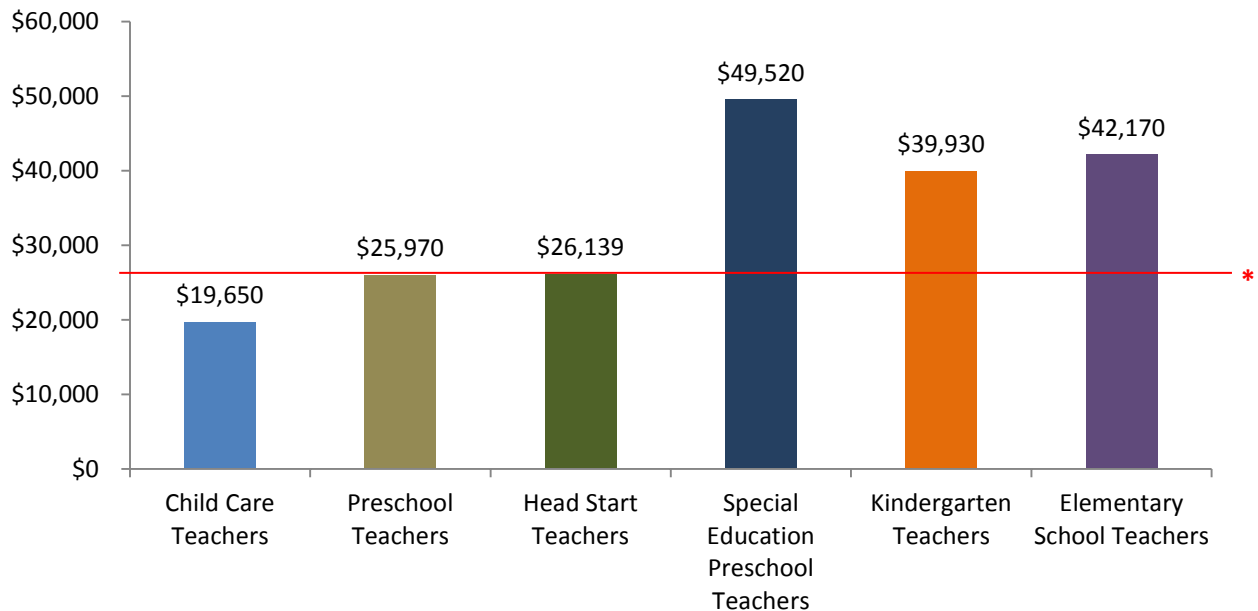
Access to High Quality Early Learning Matters!

Research shows that during the earliest years of a child's life:



High Quality Programs Depend on a Quality Workforce Low Wages Undermine Quality

North Carolina Median Annual Workforce Earnings



North Carolina Demographics

- 731,014** Children Under Age 6
- 399,817** Children Under Age 6 Below 200% of Poverty
- 65.1%** Children Under Age 6 Living in Households with All Parents Working
- 49.4%** Families Led by a Single Mother with Children Under Age 5 Living in Poverty
- 27.3%** Children Under Age 5 Living in Poverty

North Carolina Median Annual Wages for Other Occupations



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 1 Year data (2014); U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Employment Statistics (2015); Head Start Program Information Report (2015).

