

BROOKINGS CHILDCARE COLLABORATIVE

BROOKINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT - BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF BROOKINGS -
BROOKINGS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

VISION AND GOALS

Through multi-phase projects and collaborative efforts among Brookings School District, Boys & Girls Club of Brookings, and Brookings Economic Development Corporation, we will expand access to quality, affordable care that supports early learning development and community workforce participation.

Project completion will enable Brookings to serve 360+ children, ages 0 to 5 through continuous care from 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM, including inclement weather and no school days, Monday through Friday. By establishing business and community support, the collaborative model will be an affordable, equitable, and sustainable resource for all families in the community. Early learners will also be led through an engaging and age-appropriate shared curriculum platform enabling children to begin and remain on track for academic success in critical areas including an emphasis on early literacy built on science of reading.

This collaborative structure will provide a reliable framework for our current and future residents to enter the workforce with confidence by providing a consistent, accessible, safe, and enriching environment for youth from birth to graduation.

PHASE 1 PROJECT OUTCOMES

DEVELOPMENT AND LAUNCH

- Collaborative can serve **190** children, ages 0 to 5 through continuous care from 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM, Monday through Friday.
- Engaging, age-appropriate shared curriculum platform is aligned with early learning standards built on the science of reading with a literacy focus.
- Redesigning the delivery of early learning and continuous care for children under 5 at a similar cost structure for parents in existing programs through Boys & Girls Club of Brookings.

FALL 2024

- Brookings School District opens new Pre-K space in each elementary school which supports children in a collaborative model, including early childhood and high-risk learners the district is already serving.
- Estimated capacity for **100** children in these classrooms with the ability to expand in future phases.
- 4 & 5-year-old full-day programs and continuous care (6:00 AM - 6:00 PM, including no school and snow days) at Boys & Girls Club of Brookings (currently serving 57 learners) will move to the Brookings School District. (Current Cost: Full-Day Pre-K Programming \$500/month, Continued Education \$200/month)
- Boys & Girls Club of Brookings will continue to support 40 learners in their morning half-day preschool program for 3-4-year-olds and Extended Enrichment (6:00 AM - 6:00 PM, including no school and snow days, Current Cost: Morning Half-Day Preschool \$250/month, Extended Enrichment \$450/month) and begin renovations in existing Early Learning Center for 0-2-year-old care.

SPRING 2025

- Boys & Girls Club opens renovated space for 0-3-year-old early learning with the potential to service a capacity of **90** children in this space.

PHASE 2 PROJECT OUTCOMES

EXPANSION AND SUSTAINABILITY

- Brookings School District increases capacity to serve **230** Pre-K learners and Boys & Girls Club of Brookings with the potential to serve **130** 0-3-year-olds.
- Streamline training and curriculum development to expand to additional care facilities.
- Define sponsor or membership partnerships with local businesses as care capacity expands.

IN COMPLETION OF ALL PHASES THE COLLABORATE WILL HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO SERVE 360+ CHILDREN 0-5 YEARS-OLD