



# Michigan Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement, and Potential

## General Overview

Established by Executive Order 2023-6, MiLEAP was originally formed with transfers of several offices and bureaus of other departments. The most notable of those transfers are the following, by department:

- Transferred from the Department of Education:
  - Office of Great Start
    - Child Development and Care Program
    - Head Start
  - Educator Advisory Council
  - PreK-12 Literacy Commission
- Transferred from the Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity:
  - Reconnect Program
  - Sixty by 30 Office
  - Tri-Share Child Care Program
- Transferred from the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs:
  - Child Care Licensing Bureau
  - Bureau of Community Health Systems – Child Camps
- Transferred from Treasury:
  - Office of Postsecondary Financial Planning

One simple way to conceptualize MiLEAP is think of it as inclusive on all State funded (or administered) education programs except K-12 and Higher Education programs, which are constitutionally vested in the State Board of Education. See [Art. VIII, Sec. 3](#). This means that MiLEAP includes pre-K education programs, child care, after-school programming for primary/secondary school kids, and adult-education, or college preparation programs.

MiLEAP is composed of three main offices:

- The Office of Early Childhood Education:
  - Child Development and Care (Childcare)
  - Childcare Licensing
  - Head Start
  - Tri-Share
- The Office of Education Partnerships:
  - Camp Licensing
  - Before and After School Administration
  - Family & Community Engagement
  - Parental Engagement
- Office of Higher Education:
  - Dual Enrollment Program
  - Reconnect
  - Indian Tuition Waiver
  - Student Financial Assistance Programs (State scholarships)

MiLEAP's stated purpose is to build an education system that can support the economy of the future and help anyone make it in Michigan.