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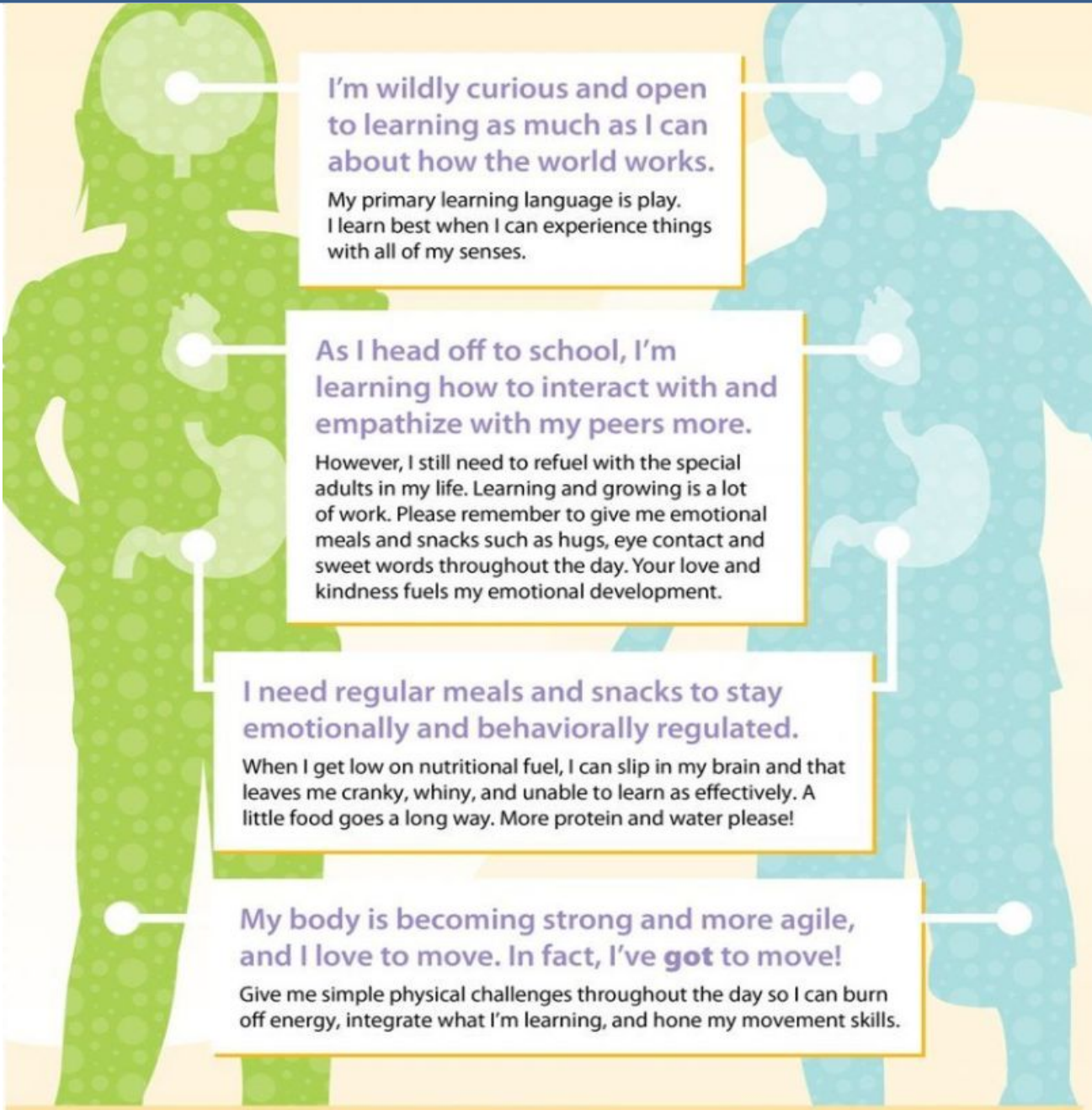
Full Day Free Kindergarten School Year 2020-2021 (FY21)

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I'm wildly curious and open to learning as much as I can about how the world works.

My primary learning language is play. I learn best when I can experience things with all of my senses.

As I head off to school, I'm learning how to interact with and empathize with my peers more.

However, I still need to refuel with the special adults in my life. Learning and growing is a lot of work. Please remember to give me emotional meals and snacks such as hugs, eye contact and sweet words throughout the day. Your love and kindness fuels my emotional development.

I need regular meals and snacks to stay emotionally and behaviorally regulated.

When I get low on nutritional fuel, I can slip in my brain and that leaves me cranky, whiny, and unable to learn as effectively. A little food goes a long way. More protein and water please!

My body is becoming strong and more agile, and I love to move. In fact, I've **got** to move!

Give me simple physical challenges throughout the day so I can burn off energy, integrate what I'm learning, and hone my movement skills.



Why Full Day Kindergarten?

- Increases student achievement
- Results in happier children
- Results in healthier children
- Is cost effective
- Students better prepared for first grade
- Families and staff want it



Full Day Kindergarten is Good for ALL Kids!

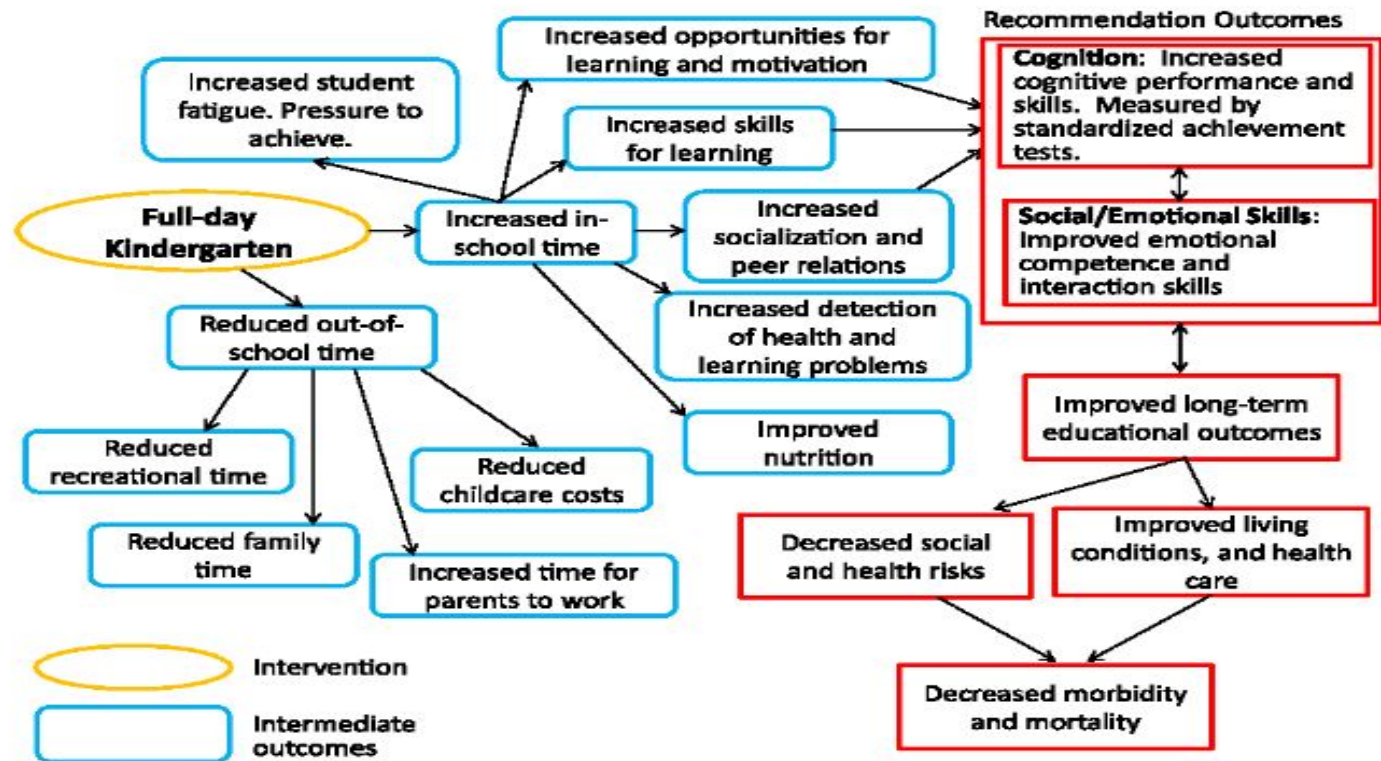


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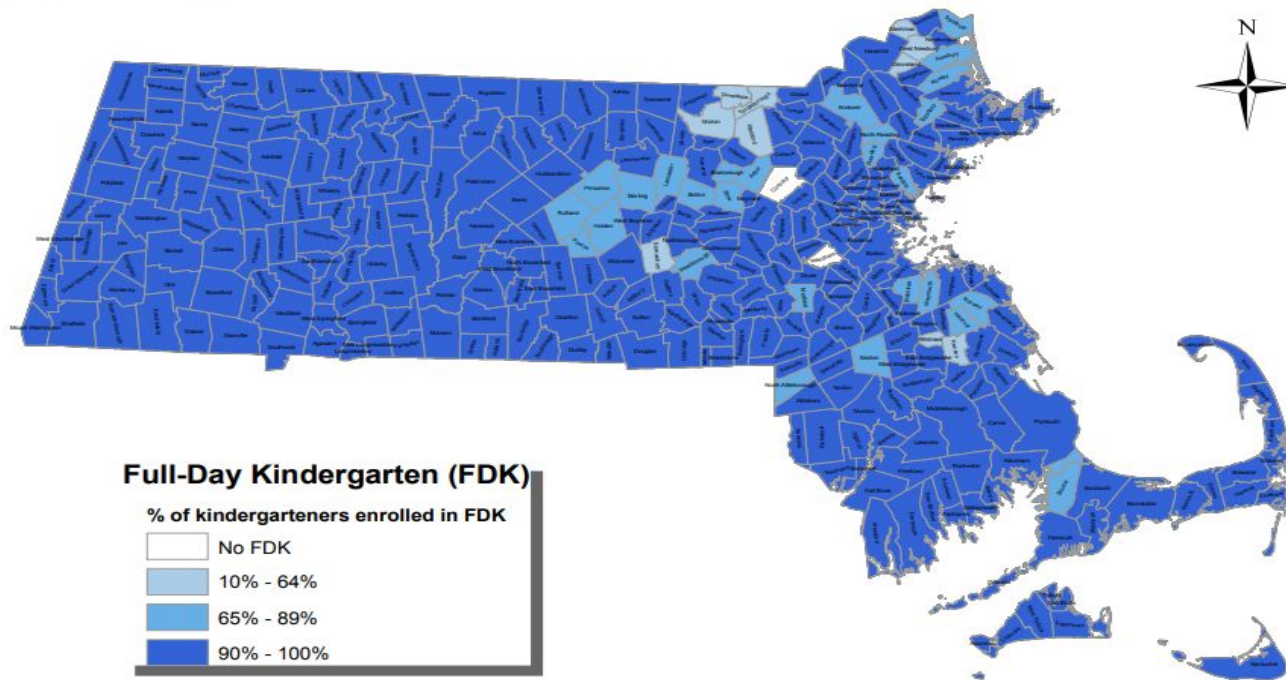
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Who Else Offers Full Day Kindergarten?



Enrollment in Full-Day Kindergarten by City/Town, 2018-2019 School Year



*Statewide, 96.4% of public school kindergarten students are enrolled in full-day kindergarten.

*City/town estimates based on enrollment in corresponding school districts.

*Source: Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

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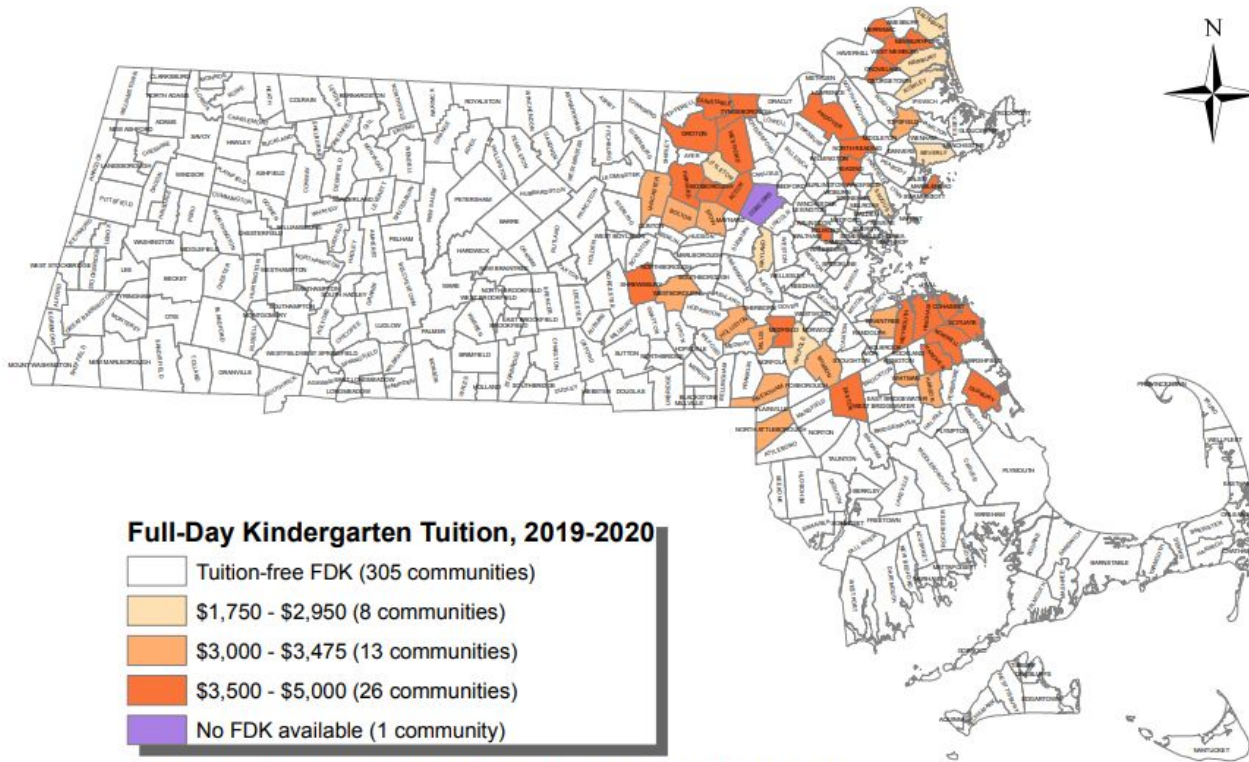
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Who Charges for Full Day Kindergarten?



Tuition Rates for Full-Day Kindergarten by City/Town,
2019-2020 School Year



38 school districts (serving 47 cities and towns) charge tuition for full-day kindergarten. Average annual tuition is \$3,454.
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Staffing

Current K program

Additional staff needed

enrolled students	348	K teachers	5
full day classes	12	para professionals	8
1/2 day classes	6	specialists	6



Cost

FY21

Full Day K Needs

add 5 FTE K Teachers \$311,120

add 8 FTE paras \$147,816

add 6 Specialist \$311,120

subtotal = **\$770,056**

Maintain 2019-20 K staff through revolving fund balance

FY22

All Full Day K Staff

additional increase after
depleting revolving fund = **\$718,770**

Total Operating Budget Impact \$1,488,826



Space

- Currently - Space available to accommodate in all buildings for 2020-2021
- Future - Chapman and connected projects
 - 9th primary
 - redistricting



Questions/Comments?

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