

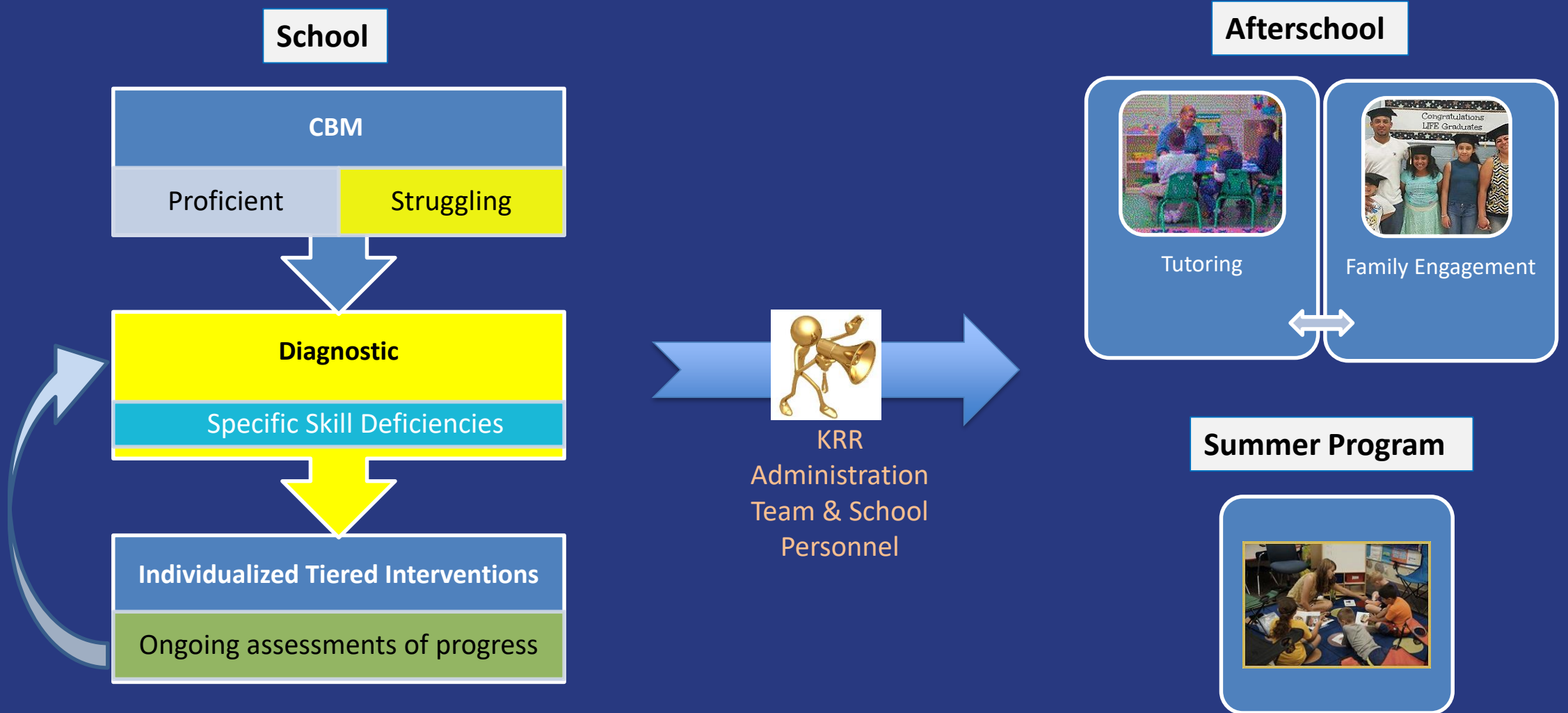


Afterschool and Summer Literacy Programs as Child Care Services to Families with Low Socioeconomic Background

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What is KRR?



Risks Waiting for Underserved Students

4 times less likely to graduate high school on time D. Hernandez, *Double Jeopardy, How Third-Grade Reading Skills and Poverty Influence High School Graduation*, Annie E. Casey Foundation (2012)

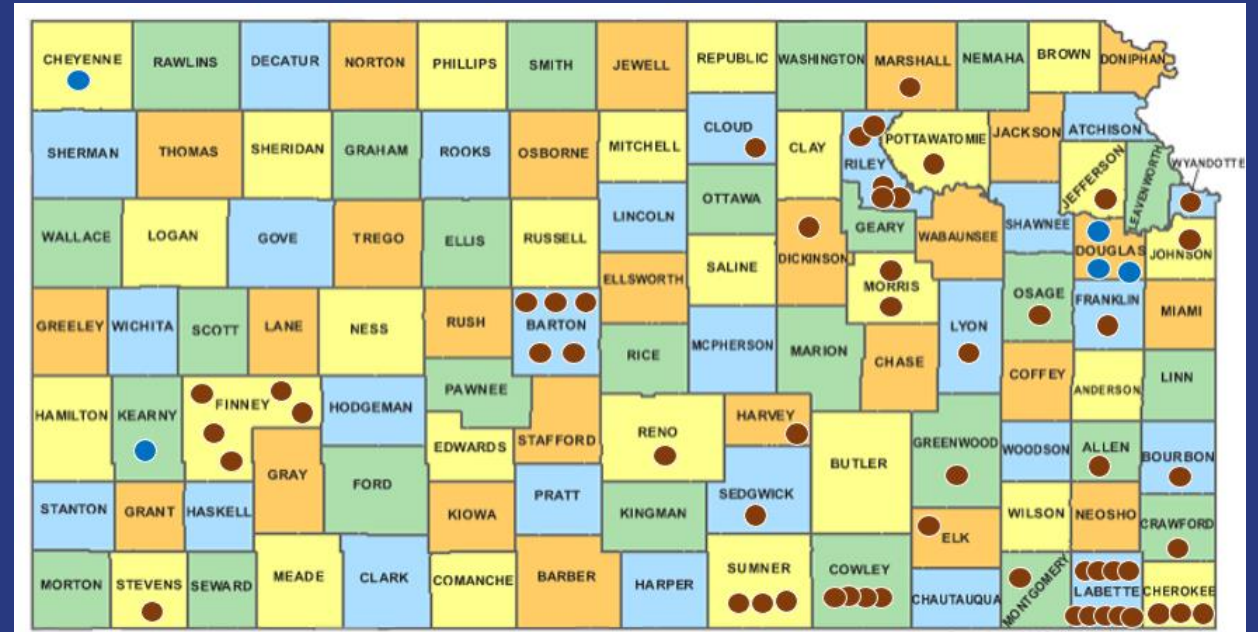
\$260,000 less lifetime earnings C. Rouse, *Labor Market Consequences of an Inadequate Education* (2005)

63 times more likely to be incarcerated Andrew Sum, *The Consequences of Dropping Out of High School*, Northeastern University (2009)

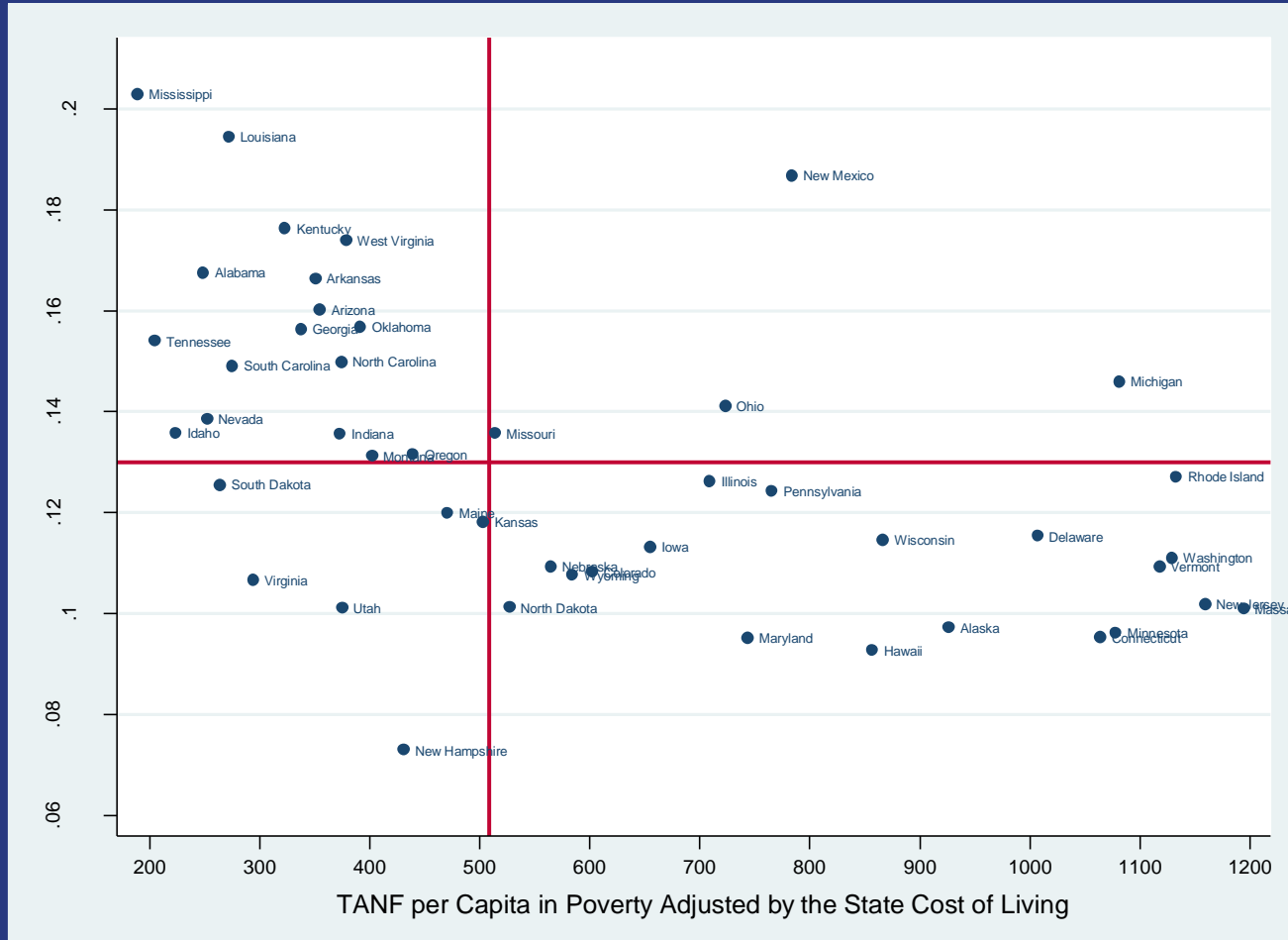
2.5 times more likely to have a teenage pregnancy Ian Bennett, *Pre-Teen Reading Ability: A Potential Predictor of Teen Pregnancy*, Perelman School of Medicine University of Pennsylvania and University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing (2012)

Who do KRR Programs Serve to?

- In 2018-19 SY KRR programs helped 58 schools and 4 BGCs in the state of Kansas.
- KRR Served 4000+ Students in Afterschool and LIFE, 2600+ Students in Summer Programs.
- 73% of students served in the KRR Afterschool program are eligible for Free or Reduced Meal program.



Where is Kansas? (In the Middle of ...)



- The per capita TANF spending of Kansas is \$502.65 which is just few dollars below the median per capita spending of all states.
- The percentage of population in poverty in Kansas is calculated as 11.8% which about 1 point below 13%, the mean estimated percentage of people living in poverty in the US.

Main Socioeconomic Benefits of KRR Program

Core TANF services for low income families include:

Cash assistance

Worker training

Child care

KRR provides quality
child-care services for
low-income families



**5,500+
CHILDREN**
were served in afterschool
and summer programs



**945,000+
HOURS**
free childcare for
low-income families



**60,000+
MEALS**
and over 340,000 servings
of healthy snacks



1,300 JOBS
part and full-time
employment opportunities



**13,900+
HOURS**
of professional
trainings provided

KRR as a Quality Child Care Service Provider

- KRR is the biggest consortium in the state that provides a quality child care service even though it is not listed as child care provider.
- In last school year KRR offered over 945,000 hours of quality child care services to more than 5,500 children in the state.
- An estimated \$2.1 million potential salary benefits were created for families of these children.
- During its programs, KRR provides a safe and nutritious environment and healthy meals for community members majority of which are low-income families.

Key Findings from the Prog. Coord. Survey

- About 95% of the survey takers running the KRR programs in school for or more than 2 years.
- More than 90% of them are sites with more than 35 students.
- 2/3 of them provide services mostly to single parent families.
- More than 70% said that KRR is the only literacy support program available to low income students in their school.

Key Findings from the Parent/Guardian Survey

- 83% of the head(s) of households work(s) during the time their child(ren) attend(s) KRR programs.
- 85% of all survey participants said the KRR programs work well with their work schedule and allow them to work.
- About 70% of survey participants identified KRR is a free child care service provider as the best description of KRR to them.
- More than 2/3 of these families said KRR programs reduce their spending on child care because they wouldn't be able to stay with their child(ren).
- 88% of families said they have observed some progress with their child(ren)'s behavior in school.

Conclusion

- In addition to its educational benefits of its afterschool and summer programs, KRR provides great socio-economic benefits to its program participants and their households.
- Low-income families of KRR schools have access to free child care, which provides a significant economic relief to the budgets of needy families and opportunity to the head(s) of the households to work without worrying about their child(ren)'s safety.
- There are many ways to have low-income families be benefited from TANF funds, and KRR is proven to be one of the successful ones for both its educational and socioeconomic benefits to students in need for support.
- Child care programs like KRR provides low-income families to have more opportunity to be eligible for programs like SNAP in states with extended work requirements.



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