

Harrisburg's Pre-school Problems

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Parents give it an "A". But, Harrisburg's pre-school program isn't making the grade when it comes to money.

The district says private donations and money from the federal government have recently dried up, leaving the program more than \$5 million in debt.

School leaders say they're now seeking help through Governor Ed Rendell's "Pre-K Counts" proposal. But, if the money doesn't come through, they could be forced to cut the pre-school program in half.

"If we don't get the dollars and we have to cut back, it's going to be a huge loss to the school district and to the community at large," says Debbie Reuveny, Harrisburg's Early Childhood Program Director.

Legislators are expected to take a final vote on Rendell's proposed budget by the end of June.

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