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Healy, C. (2015). Who benefits most from head start programs?*Chicago Policy Review (Online),*Retrieved from <http://libproxy.lib.unc.edu/login?url=https://search.proquest.com/docview/1682917213?accountid=14244>

This article talks about the correlation of head start programs for children allowing them to obtain large cognitive gains. This article proves this theory by the increase of test scores on the PPVT for kids who attended head start programs. The test score gains only worked while the participants were a part of the head start programs.

Miller, E. B., Farkas, G., & Duncan, G. J. (2016). Does Head Start differentially benefit children with risks targeted by the program’s service model? *Early Childhood Research Quarterly*, *34*, 1–12. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ecresq.2015.08.001>

This article argues about the benefits that children receive from head start programs like increases in children’s pre academic skills, reduces behavioral problems, and provides children access to dental care, and improved children’s overall health, and family functioning. I will use this article to show statistics and facts to back up my argument.

Bierman, K. L., Heinrichs, B. S., Welsh, J. A., Nix, R. L., & Gest, S. D. (2017). Enriching preschool classrooms and home visits with evidence-based programming: sustained benefits for low-income children. *Journal of Child Psychology and Psychiatry*, *58*(2), 129–137. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jcpp.12618>

This article argues how poverty effects early learning leaving a gap in school readiness but with the help of head start can help close these gaps. This article shows the pros of social, emotional, and cognitive skills.

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This article shows the testing benefits that head start provides for national testing scores of the underprivileged. There’s also a study that shows a raising in mortality is 33-50 percent lower for children who attend head start programs. Also helps shows the economical benefits that society obtains $9 in benefits for every $1 dollar that is invested in local early head start programs. That the crime reduction is lower which connects with better social behavioral. Keeping head start preschool programs operational because of the many benefits.