

From October 2019

Free childcare at early childhood education is to start

Target person and upper limit

3 to 5 years old children... **Free up to 37,000 yen per month**

0 to 2 years old... **Free up to 42,000 yen per month** (only for resident tax-exempt households)

- * However, only those who are not able to use licensed childcare centres, certified child-care centres, or company-led childcare are eligible.
- * Guardians will be responsible for school drop-off and pick-up, food, and event expenses as before.

Basic procedure

After using non-licensed childcare facilities, you will be able to receive a refund of the fee by submitting a billing document to the city.

- * Be sure to keep a receipt to receive the refund after use.

Target facilities

Non-licensed childcare facilities that has submitted notification to authorities such as prefectural government, etc.

(General non-licensed childcare facilities, local government's own certified childcare facilities, babysitters, non-licensed childcare centres in establishments, etc.)

In addition to non-authorized childcare facilities, temporary daycare, sickchildcare, and family support centre are also eligible for free childcare.

- * Infant classrooms that have not been reported as non-authorized childcare facilities are not eligible for free childcare.
- * Non-licensed childcare facilities that are eligible for free childcare should apply the municipality, and must meet the standards established by the country. However, a facility that does not meet the standards now has a five-year grace period to meet the standards.

Necessary procedure in advance

Those who apply for a licensed daycare..... Pre-procedure is unnecessary

Those who have not applied for a licensed daycare ... Submission of application for accreditation is required

- You need to submit accreditation application to the city and receive accreditation of the need for childcare.
- There are conditions such as parents are working, for authorization of the need for childcare.