

DETERMINING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION'S CUSTOMER FEES AS OF AUGUST 1, 2020

As of January 1, 2020, early childhood education's customer fees will be based on the act on early childhood education's customer fees. The customer fees are calculated as percentage of family's gross income. The biggest fee for the youngest child in the family is €288/month; for the second, 50% (at max. €144/month); and for the other children in the family, 20% (at max. €58/month) of the full-time early childhood education for the youngest child.

FAMILY SIZE

When determining family size, the following people are accounted for: people living in the same household, people living under circumstances comparable with marriage, and their underage children living in the same household.

INCOME

Documentation on family income shall be delivered at the latest at the beginning of early childhood education. Wage income shall be announced by the employer's payslip. Income from self-employment or entrepreneurship shall be stated on a separate form, available on Vantaa.fi website or on a form available from Vantaa Infos.

Counted as income: taxable earned income, income from capital and tax-free income of the following people living in the same household: child, parent or other guardian, people living under circumstances comparable with marriage.

Documentation on holiday bonus to be paid is to be attached. If this documentation is lacking, 5% will be added to the monthly income.

Income deduction consists of alimonies paid to children not living in the same household, other costs related to actual family relations, as well as traditional life annuity contract.

You must provide Early Childhood Education with documentation on maintenance payments paid.

Income information not accounted for area to be found on vantaa.fi website.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION'S CUSTOMER FEE

The customer fee is specified on the basis of documents presented at the beginning of early childhood education, and the fee will be valid until further notice. If no documents are presented or if the customer consents, the day-care fee is charged according to the highest fee in the early childhood education's time class in question. Fees specified on the basis of lacking income data will not be revised retroactively.

VERIFYING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION'S CUSTOMER FEE

The customer fee will be verified on an annual basis. In order to verify the fee, families are mailed a verification form to be filled in. If the fees are based on the highest fee, the decision on the fee will be in force till the end of July of the year when the family's eldest child in early childhood education starts school.

To verify the customer fee, families are obliged to notify

- any essential changes in family income (at least 10 %)
- any changes in family size.

Early childhood education's customer fee is verified at the beginning of the month following the enrollment month.

If the decision on day-care fee is based on faulty data given by the customer, the fee can be adjusted retroactively for at maximum one year.

Customer fees will also be revised in case there are changes in valid legislation or decisions.

Information on changes in the family income or size, name and address changes, as well as guardian's free-form discount applications shall be delivered to: Varhaiskasvatuspalvelut, PL 313, 01030 Vantaan kaupunki. You can also leave the application at Vantaa Infos.

The City of Vantaa's Early Childhood Education can check the customers' pendency and payment data in KELA's IT system as well as salary information from the income registry without the customers' consent (§17 of the Act on early childhood education's customer fees).

MONTHLY FEE

A monthly fee will be charged for at max. eleven (11) calendar months per operating year (August 1 - July 31). July is a free-of-charge month, provided that the child's early childhood education has started no later than the previous year's September. A family moving to Vantaa shall notify if their child has been in municipal early childhood education in another municipality at the beginning of the operating year.

The day-care fee is calculated on the basis of the family's combined gross earnings.

Gross income limits and the payment percentages, are as follows:

Family size	Income limit gross income €/mo.	Payment percentage	Income for highest fee € /mo.
2	2136	10,7	4823
3	2756	10,7	5443
4	3129	10,7	5816
5	3502	10,7	6189
6	3874	10,7	6561

If the family size exceeds six, the income limit acting as the basis for fee determination is increased by €142 for each following underage child.

If the income falls below the minimum income or if the fee per child falls below €27, no fee will be charged.

You can calculate the full-day care fee according to the following model: Define family size. Check income limit €/month. Deduct it from the average gross monthly earnings. Take the share of the payment percentage (10.7%) from the remaining figure = early childhood education's customer fee.

FEES CHARGED

Average weekly number of hours	fee
At min. 35 hrs./week	100%
more than 25 hrs. – less than 35 hrs./week	80%
more than 20 hrs – at min. 25 hrs/week	60%
At max. 20 hrs./week	50%

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION FEES RELATED TO PRESCHOOL EDUCATION

Free-of-charge preschool education is given 4 hours per school day. The fees for early childhood education related to preschool education are in force also during school holidays. Early childhood education fees will be charged for the summer time.

Preschool education and early childhood education	fee
more than 45 hrs./week	80%
more than 40 hrs. – at max. 45 hrs./week	65%
at max. 40 hrs./week	45%

IMPACT OF ABSENCES ON EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION FEES

As a general rule, the monthly fee will be charged for absences as well. If a child is in early childhood education for even one day in a calendar month, the fee for the entire month will be charged.

Nevertheless, exceptions to charging the monthly fee consist of the following:

- 1) if the child is absent from early childhood education due to illness on all the operating days of a calendar month, no fee will be charged,
- 2) if the child is absent from early childhood education due to illness on at least eleven (11) operating days

of a calendar month, half of the monthly fee will be charged,

- 3) if the child is absent from early childhood education on all the operating days of a calendar month due to reason(s) other than illness, half of the monthly fee will be charged.
- 4) if the child is absent from early childhood education for the duration of the paternity-allowance period, no fee will be charged.

The child's caretaking place must be notified of the child's absence due to illness already on the first sick day. If the child is absent from early childhood education without notification, the absence will be regarded as other absence.

BEGINNING AND TERMINATION OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

The fee will be charged from the date early childhood education is confirmed to begin in the early childhood education decision. Parents whose children are in home care or who receive private day-care allowance shall inform KELA about the beginning of early childhood education to avoid collection. If the early childhood education place is not accepted, the need for early childhood education can be postponed once for a period of at least four months. If the child's early childhood education place is canceled, invoicing will end on the same day as early childhood education.

If the early childhood education place applied for and granted to the child is not accepted and if the place is not canceled before the beginning of early childhood education, half of the monthly fee will be charged.

INVOICING

Customer fees are charged by means of deposit forms sent home once a month or by e-invoice. The due date of the invoice is the 15th day of the following month. As a general rule, compensations will be made retrospectively.

The fees are subject to execution without court order.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Customer service for compiling an income statement at Vantaa Info Tikkurila, Myyrmäki and Korso offices tel. 09 83929481, vantaa-info@vantaa.fi.

Further information on customer-fee decisions is provided by service secretaries in charge of payment issues firstname.lastname@vantaa.fi

(Contact information is available online at: www.vantaa.fi)

send income receipts to:

Varhaiskasvatuksen asiakasmaksut
PL 313, 01030 Vantaan kaupunki