

When can my child attend?

In Queensland, children can attend kindy when they are 4 years of age*.

My child was born	My child can attend kindy
1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009	2013
1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010	2014
1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011	2015

* Children need to be 4 by 30 June in the year they will attend kindy.

How can I find a kindy program?

Look for the Queensland Government-approved kindergarten program provider identifier.



Services that display this identifier offer a program:

- delivered by a qualified early childhood teacher
- typically 15 hours a week, 40 weeks a year, for children in the year prior to Prep
- aligned with the Queensland Kindergarten Learning Guideline or other Queensland Studies Authority-accredited learning program.

Queensland Government-approved kindergarten programs can be delivered in a range of settings including kindergarten and long day care services.



Enrol now!

To find a kindy in your area or for further information call the Kindy Hotline on **1800 4 KINDY** (1800 454 639) during business hours.

*Calls from mobile phones are charged at applicable rates.

www.qld.gov.au/kindy



For more information in a language other than English, phone 1800 4 KINDY (1800 454 639) and ask for an interpreter.

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The benefits of kindy

Early learning in a Queensland Government-approved kindergarten program provides a building block to a better future.

Going to kindy will help your child learn early literacy and numeracy concepts, and develop communication skills to help their reading and writing.

Most importantly, a kindergarten program will help your child develop a love of learning, be better prepared to start school – and make heaps of friends.



“Plenty of long day care services provide an approved kindergarten program. My daughter attends one of them and is loving it and learning a lot.” – Mother-of-two, Brisbane

How much does kindy cost?

Kindy is available at low or no cost for:

- Health Care Card holders
- Australian Government Pension Concession card holders with automatic Health Care Card entitlements
- families with triplets or more attending in the same year.



Families of children participating in a kindergarten program in a long day care setting may also be eligible for additional Commonwealth Government rebates, including Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate.

Information about eligibility for these rebates is available from Centrelink.

What will my child learn?

Children learn through play. In a kindergarten program, your child will participate in play-based learning experiences designed to encourage their physical, social, intellectual, language and emotional abilities.

Under the guidance and care of a qualified early childhood teacher your child will:

- use language to communicate ideas, feelings and needs
- make friends and learn how to cooperate with other children
- become more independent and confident in their abilities
- develop self-discipline
- use their creativity to express ideas and feelings through art, dance and dramatic play
- identify, explore and solve problems.

“My son has loved his kindy year. He has made great friends and enjoyed wonderful learning experiences that I know have helped prepare him for school.”

– Parent from a community kindergarten



Many services use waiting lists so it's a good idea to plan ahead to secure a place for your child.