

Free or low-cost kindergarten

Kindergarten Fee Subsidy

Kindergarten is an important step for your child. Through kindergarten children learn skills they will build on throughout life.

Is my child eligible for free or low-cost kindergarten?

Your child will be eligible to access free or low-cost kindergarten in any of the following circumstances:

- your child is identified by a parent, carer or legal guardian as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander
- your child is identified on their birth certificate as being a multiple birth child (triplets or more)
- your child holds, or has a parent or guardian who holds, one of the following:
 - a Commonwealth Health Care Card
 - a Commonwealth Pensioner Concession Card
 - a Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold Card or White Card
 - eligible Refugee or Asylum Seeker visa

How do I apply?

To access the kindergarten fee subsidy you can talk to the staff at your kindergarten service about your child's eligibility.

How do I find a kindergarten for my child?

To find a kindergarten service in your area visit www.education.vic.gov.au/findaservice/Home.aspx or contact your local council. You can find the contact details of your local council by visiting www.dtpli.vic.gov.au

Where can I find more information?

For more information on kindergarten programs or the kindergarten fee subsidy visit the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development's website at www.education.vic.gov.au/childhood/parents/kindergarten/Pages/default.aspx

Your child's kindergarten service can contact the free interpreter service to help talk to you about you and your child's needs by calling **9280 1955**.

