



## Criteria for granting a preschool place

Enrollment in pre-primary education is done electronically or with a form that is submitted to the early childhood education administration. The date of registration is communicated to guardians annually.

The Education Board decides annually on the organization of pre-primary education and the units to which a child can be enrolled in pre-primary education.

The preschool location is indicated according to the wishes of the guardians, if possible. The guardian presents 1-3 wishes for the preschool location in the application. The goal is to place the child in one of these three units chosen by the guardian, provided that there are available places in the unit and that the unit's staff meets the qualification requirements for pre-primary education. If the placement principle described above is not possible, the child will be placed in the nearest pre-primary education unit with available spots, according to the principle of proximity to services.

In the allocation of preschool places, known individual special needs of children as well as support for development and learning are also taken into account. In order for the preschool groups to be pedagogically and functionally appropriate, the situation of the preschool locations as a whole must also be assessed when making decisions.

If a child needs early childhood education that complements pre-primary education, it is applied for together with the pre-primary education application.

Only those children whose attendance at the pre-primary education unit, due to their guardians' work or studies, falls outside the hours of 6:00 AM–5:30 PM will be placed in the shift care unit. This must be verified with a valid shift work certificate (valid for one year).

If guardians wish for a preschool place for their child from another municipality, the registration for preschool must be done according to the instructions of these parties.

The preschool place granted to the child does not determine the child's future school place. With regard to school places, the guidelines for student admissions in basic education are followed.

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### More information

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