

EARLY EDUCATION

Funding Rates – 1st April 2017 to 31st March 2018

The following rates will be paid to all providers who have signed the Local Agreement to offer the Early Education entitlement to families in Norfolk.

Early Education Funding - 2 year olds

	per hour
Base Rate	£5.20

Early Education Funding - 3 and 4 year olds

	per hour
Base Rate	£3.65
Supplements	
• Deprivation (0-10%)	£0.25
• Deprivation (11-20%)	£0.15
• Flexibility	£0.20
• Quality and System Leadership	£0.20

To receive one or more supplements as part of your rate certain criteria must be met.

① Deprivation

It will be calculated on the total number of funded hours for children whose home address postcode is in a deprived area determined by the index of deprivation (IDACI)* as –

- 10% most deprived
- 10-20% most deprived

** The index of deprivation – IDACI (Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index) is calculated by the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister. It measures the proportion of children under the age of 16 that live in low income households.*

② Flexibility

It will be calculated on the total number of funded hours each claim period where parents/carers can claim at least 7.5 hours early education in any one day, for at least 2 days a week.

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③ Quality and System Leadership

It will be calculated on the total number of funded hours each claim period where a practitioner works (at least 50%) directly with the children receiving the publicly funded place and is qualified as follows –

Sector / Staff Ratio	Qualification
Childminder	Level 3 or above
1 to 8	Level 6 or above

Providers working to a 1 to 13 ratio **will not** receive this supplement.

The identified qualification must be full and relevant. The Department for Education Early Years Qualification List will be used to determine this, and a certificate requested to verify that this supplement can be paid.

When receiving this supplement there will be an expectation that providers will –

- Inform the finance team when staff changes occur that would alter the receipt of this supplement (ie. a practitioner leaves)
- Work in partnership with the Local Authority to provide peer support through the existing [programme](#) and engage in any further development / delivery relating to system leadership. All providers will be sent information on Peer Support/System Leadership separately.

Early Years Pupil Premium

£0.53 per hour (national rate) for all eligible 3 and 4 year old funded children that meet certain criteria.

Please [click here](#) for more information.

Special Educational Needs (SEN) Inclusion Fund

This replaces the Early Years SEND Discretionary funding, and will continue to support early years providers in meeting the needs of individual children with SEN. The award remains dependent on an application being approved.

Please [click here](#) for more information.

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Disability Access Fund (DAF)

This fund is available to providers offering places to any 3 or 4 year olds that receive [disability living allowance](#). The allowance will be paid annually at £615 per child (national rate). Where a child's funding is shared, the parent/carer will determine which provider receives the allowance.

Other funding sources -

Early Years Funding Panel

The purpose of this funding is to support the Local Authority to improve outcomes for children and meet its childcare sufficiency duty by assisting in the costs to provide high quality affordable childcare in Norfolk.

The type of funding available is –

- Start Up (to open a new childcare business)
- Childcare Development (to expand an existing childcare business)
- Sustainability
- Quality and Inclusion

Please [click here](#) for more information.

Early Years Bursary Programme

The purpose of this funding is to support the cost of studying higher qualifications. This funding will be paid directly to providers for staff accepted on the programme. Further information can be requested by emailing the Workforce Development team at – earlyyearsandchildcare@norfolk.co.uk

Should you require any further assistance please contact:

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