

## Dear Guardians of Children who were born in 2019,

Your child will start pre-primary education in August 2025. The pre-primary education place and the future school path are primarily determined by the home address.

Unlike previous years, there is no need to register for pre-primary education according to the school path. In January 2025, you will receive a proposal for the upcoming pre-primary education place based on the address information in the population information system (November 2024). Pre-primary education is free of charge and lasts 4 hours a day.

You will also receive a proposal for supplementary early childhood education. The customer fee for supplementary early childhood education is determined according to the Early Childhood Education Customer Fee Act. If your child does not need supplementary early childhood education, please accept the offered pre-primary education place and reject the offered supplementary early childhood education place.

Pre-primary education and supplementary early childhood education form a coherent day. In supplementary early childhood education, the child is in the same facilities with familiar pre-primary education staff. The proposed amount of supplementary early childhood education is up to 5 hours a day, making the total length of the pre-primary education day up to 9 hours. You can change the scope of the service later by contacting the head of the pre-primary education unit.

If your child has special needs and is not going to pre-primary education according to the school path, the decision on the pre-primary education place will be sent to the guardian later when the pre-primary education place is determined.

If the guardian accepts the offered pre-primary education place, there is no need to separately register the child for pre-primary education.

## Instructions if your child is not going to pre-primary education according to the school path:

- If your child is going to bilingual pre-primary education organized by basic education (German, French, English)
  - reject the proposal in eVaka and apply for a place through the Wilma system from January  $10^{th}$  to  $29^{th}$ , 2025.
- If your child is going to pre-primary education organized by a private provider (Swedish pre-primary education, Christian pre-primary education, Steiner pedagogy pre-primary education)
  - reject the proposal in eVaka and apply directly to the respective unit.
- If your child needs evening or shift care in addition to pre-primary education,
  - reject the proposal in eVaka and apply for a place through the eVaka system from January  $20^{th}$  to  $31^{st}$ , 2025.
  - Application preference: Evening care pre-primary education / Shift care pre-primary education (more information is available from the daycare center).





- If your child is going to Montessori pre-primary education, which is not on their school path, reject the proposal in eVaka and apply for a place through the eVaka system from January 20<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025.
  - Application preference: Montessori pre-primary education (more information is available from the daycare center).
- If your child's sibling is in a different school than the proposed pre-primary education place and you wish for a pre-primary education place in the same school,
  - reject the proposal in eVaka and apply for a pre-primary education place through the eVaka system from January 20<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025.
  - Application preference: pre-primary education according to the school path. Select the "Application based on sibling" option on the application. Applications are processed on a case-by-case basis.
- If you have moved or are moving,
  - reject the proposal in eVaka and apply for a place through the eVaka system from January 20<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025.
  - Application preference: pre-primary education according to the school path. Indicate your future address in the application.

If the child's address information is not available in the population information system (confidentiality order), the guardian registers the child for pre-primary education through the eVaka system from January 20<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

All children will receive a pre-primary education place. It is the guardian's responsibility to ensure that the child participates in pre-primary education or other activities that achieve the goals of pre-primary education.

Pre-primary education is free of charge. The customer fee for supplementary early childhood education is determined according to the Early Childhood Education Customer Fee Act.

## More information:

- <a href="https://www.tampere.fi/en/early-childhood-education-and-pre-primary-education/pre-primary-education">https://www.tampere.fi/en/early-childhood-education-and-pre-primary-education/pre-primary-education</a>
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