

What Does This Agreement Aim To Do?

The agreement will support families with children not yet in kindergarten by:

- Reducing licensed child care fees by an AVERAGE of 50 per cent for all families in early 2022.
- Lowering fees to an average of \$10/day per child by 2026.

We'll be reducing fees in two ways:

- Receiving operating grants that will directly reduce child care fees, and
- Applying the Child Care Subsidy Program with new rates and thresholds to our eligible families.

How Does This Affect Your Tuition Costs?

The grant and the subsidy together will help reduce fees by 50% by early next year on AVERAGE, and target supports to those who need it most. For example, a family earning \$130,000 per year with one toddler attending our program would be eligible for a partial subsidy. If the fee at the program is \$1,100 per month, Kids U will receive \$510/month in an operating grant and the family would be eligible for \$226/month. The remaining parent portion is \$364/month or approximately \$16.55/day.

As another example, a family earning \$75,000 per year with an infant attending a day care program would be eligible for partial subsidy. If the fee at the program is an average of \$1,400 per month, the program will receive \$635/month in an operating grant and the family would be eligible for up to a maximum of \$266/month in subsidy. The remaining parent portion is \$499/month or \$22.68/day.

How Does Subsidy Impact Our Families?

Beginning in early 2022, income thresholds for Child Care Subsidy will increase to \$179,999, making additional support available to more families who have young children not yet attending Kindergarten. To further reduce fees for families who need it most, subsidy rates and income thresholds will be adjusted, along with operational grants to programs. This means more Albertans will be eligible for a child care subsidy. Families with children not yet in Kindergarten who meet the other Child Care Subsidy eligibility criteria and earn a gross household income under \$180,000 are eligible to apply for subsidy as early as mid-January, 2022. Full subsidy is available to families with incomes up to \$119,999 and partial subsidy is available to families with incomes from \$120,000 - \$179,999.

Parent Subsidy Rates for Licensed Daycare Centres

Income	Percentage of Maximum Subsidy	Rates for Children 0-Kindergarten*
\$0 to \$119,999	100%	\$266
\$120,000 to \$124,999	95%	\$253
\$125,000 to \$129,999	90%	\$239
\$130,000 to \$134,999	85%	\$226
\$135,000 to \$139,999	80%	\$213
\$140,000 to \$144,999	75%	\$200
\$145,000 to \$149,999	70%	\$186
\$150,000 to \$154,999	65%	\$173
\$155,000 to \$159,999	60%	\$160
\$160,000 to \$164,999	55%	\$146
\$165,000 to \$169,999	50%	\$133
\$170,000 to \$174,999	45%	\$120
\$175,000 to \$179,999	40%	\$106

OPERATING GRANTS

Licensed Facility-Based Daycare

Infant	Toddler	Preschool-Age
\$635	\$510	\$450