

## Fees for afternoon activities

The fees for afternoon activities in basic education from 1 August 2021 onwards are as follows:

- 120 euros if the child participates in the activities for 3 hours per day or 1-15 hours per week, or
- 160 euros if the child participates in the activities for 4 hours per day or more than 15 hours per week
- half of the fee based on attendance (60 or 80 euros) is billed for August.

The child participates in the activities	Monthly fee	The child is ill for more than 10 days per month	The child is ill for the whole calendar month	The child is absent for the whole calendar month for a reason other than the child's illness
average 3 hours per day or 1-15 hours per week 570 hours per year	120 €	60 €	0	60 €
average 4 hours per day or more than 15 hours per week 760 hours per year	160 €	80 €	0	80 €

## Applying for a payment relief

An application for a payment relief must be made using a separate form with the necessary most recent supporting documents attached to it.

The fee is reduced by one half if there are at least three children in the family in afternoon activities or in day care.

An exemption from the fee is granted if the family's income is below the income limit for free day care, if the family receives social assistance, or by a statement from child welfare / social worker. The spouses and common law partners living in the same household as well as the children of them both under the age of 18 who live in the same household are taken into account when defining the size of the family. If there are significant changes (+/-10%) in the family's income, a new income statement form with appendices must be submitted immediately to the persons responsible for billing. The fee is usually adjusted from the beginning of the month following the change. The persons responsible for billing must be informed of any changes in the number of siblings attending day care or in the need for hours of afternoon activity. No fee is charged for pupils covered by the Act on the Rights of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities. The decision is made for a maximum period of one school year at a time. No decisions are made retroactively.

The fee exemption application and the most recent attachments must be delivered

- by mail at the beginning of the autumn term or when the child starts in an afternoon activity group to address: Kasvun ja oppimisen palvelualue, Perusopetuksen tukipalvelut / Iltapäivätoiminta, Suokatu 42, PL 1097, 70111 Kuopio or they can be left in the mailboxes outside staircase A at address Suokatu 42 A.
- The application and the most recent supporting documents can be delivered electronically as an attachment to a secure email message. You can request a secure email message from [iltapaivatoiminta@kuopio.fi](mailto:iltapaivatoiminta@kuopio.fi).

The instructions and forms for printing as well as instructions for filling in forms in Wilma can be found at [kuopio.fi/perusopetuksen-iltapaivatoiminta](http://kuopio.fi/perusopetuksen-iltapaivatoiminta). Application instructions and forms are available from the afternoon activity groups, afternoon activity planner and afternoon activity secretary.

## Income on which exemption from the fee for afternoon activities is based

The gross income limits for client fees in early childhood education are used to determine the exemption from the fee:

Size of the family, persons	Income limit as of 1 August 2022 euros per month	Income limit as of 1 March 2023 euros per month	Income limit as of 1 August 2024 euros per month
family of 2 persons	2913	3874	4066
family of 3 persons	3758	4998	5245
family of 5 persons	4267	5675	5956
family of 5 persons	4777	6353	6667
family of 6 persons	5284	7376	7376

The income limit for a family with more than six persons is increased by 262 euros for each subsequent child as of 1 August 2023.

The income limit for a family with more than six persons is increased by 275 euros for each subsequent child as of 1 August 2024.

**The fee is reduced by one half** if there are at least three children in the family in afternoon activities and/or in day care.

**An exemption from the fee** is granted if the family's income is below the income limit for free day care, if the family receives social assistance, or by a statement from child welfare / social worker. The spouses and common law partners living in the same household as well as the children of them both under the age of 18 who live in the same household are taken into account when defining the size of the family.

If there are significant changes (+/-10%) in the family's income, a new income statement form with appendices must be submitted immediately to the address: Kuopion kaupunki, Kasvun ja oppimisen palvelualue, Perusopetuksen tukipalvelut / Iltapäivätoiminta, Suokatu 42, PL 1097, 70111 Kuopio.

The fee is usually adjusted from the beginning of the month following the change. The persons responsible for billing must be informed of any changes in the number of siblings attending day care or in the need for hours of afternoon activity.

The afternoon activity secretary and afternoon activity planner check the payment relief applications and their appendices. The afternoon activity planner makes the decisions on reducing the fees to a half or on an exemption from the fees for afternoon activities (section 11 B of the operational code of the service area for Growth and Learning).

#### Appendices required for the income statement form

- Payslip or salary certificate from the employer. A 5% holiday pay is added to the monthly income, unless the client provides proof of another percentage of holiday pay or proof that the employer does not pay the holiday pay at all. If there is no payslip available (new job), an estimate of the monthly income must be provided. Where estimated information is used, the actual income information must be provided later.
- If the income varies from month to month, the salary certificate must indicate the annual income for the previous year.
- Copies of the decisions on labour market subsidy, daily allowance and/or pension.
- Decision on a child's pension, broken down for each child in afternoon activities.
- A copy of the agreement or receipt of child maintenance allowance or maintenance support received, broken down for each child in afternoon activities.
- Certificate of scholarships or grants for research and art.
- Receipt of flexible care allowance.
- A copy of the agreement and/or receipt of child maintenance allowance or maintenance support paid.
- For students, a certificate of study and proof of study benefits as well as a certificate of salary income during studying.
- For income from business, trade and agriculture, a reliable statement based on the accounts for the most recent financial year, the profit and loss account and the balance sheet and tax certificate for the most recent confirmed taxation and advance tax calculation for the current year must be presented. An eventual start-up grant decision and an estimate of the company income must be submitted by an entrepreneur who is just starting their business activities. For business in the form of a limited liability company, a salary certificate and a statement of capital income (dividend income) and fringe benefits must be submitted. A statement by the accountant on the entrepreneur's monthly income is a sufficient declaration of income. Entrepreneurs in the fields of agriculture and forestry must submit a tax certificate for the most recent confirmed taxation.

The taxable earned and capital income as well as income exempt from tax of the user of the service and of persons living in the same household in marriage or common law relationship with the user of the service are taken into account **as the family's income**. If the monthly income varies, the average monthly income or taxable income confirmed in taxation are taken into account as monthly income, increased by the percentages determined by the Tax Administration. The forest income taken into account is the average annual yield of the forest, which is determined in accordance with section 7 (3) of the Act on the Valuation of Assets for Tax Purposes (1142/2005), under which the Tax Authority establishes the average annual yield of the forest.

**The income does not include** child benefits, benefits under the Act on Disability Benefits, child increase under the National Pensions Act, housing allowance, medical and examination expenses reimbursed on the basis of accident insurance, conscript's allowance, front-line veteran's supplement, study grant, adult education allowance by the Education Fund, student grant housing supplement, activity allowance and compensations for travel expenses paid as basic social assistance, maintenance allowance under the Act on National Insurance Institution Rehabilitation Assistance and Benefits, maintenance allowance under the Act on Public Employment Services, grants and similar benefits given for studies, family carer reimbursements for expenses nor child home care allowance.

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Child maintenance support and other similar costs arising from actual family relationships as well as a cash benefit withheld for a fixed period or lifetime upon the transfer of property (traditional life annuity) are **taken into account as deductions from income**.

The afternoon activity secretary and afternoon activity planner check the payment relief applications and their appendices. The afternoon activity planner makes the payment relief decisions (section 11 B of the operational code of the service area for Growth and Learning).

For more information on the fee exemption for afternoon activities, please contact Virve Varonen, afternoon activities secretary, and Maria Louhimo, afternoon activities planner, tel. 044 718 1388 (service telephone for afternoon activities) or by email [iltapaivatoiminta@kuopio.fi](mailto:iltapaivatoiminta@kuopio.fi) (service e-mail for afternoon activities).

Telephone service hours from 1 May 2024:

- Mondays 13.00 to 15.00
- Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 9.00 to 11.00

An appointment for a personal meeting must be made in advance by telephone.

Visiting address:

Kasvun ja oppimisen palvelualue, Perusopetuksen tukipalvelut / iltapäivätoiminta, Suokatu 42, 70110 Kuopio