The application period for afternoon activities in basic education in school year 2024-2025 begins on 1 February 2024 and ends on 21 February 2024.

The application period for afternoon activities in basic education in school year 2024-2025 is from 1 to 21 February 2024. The afternoon activity groups will be formed on the basis of applications received during the application period. The service providers and the locations of the groups will be confirmed after the application period ends.

The decision will be made for one school year at a time. More detailed contact information on the groups will be notified to the custodians later. If the number of applications received by the deadline exceeds the number of available positions in the groups, the positions will be decided by drawing lots.

Afternoon activities in basic education are primarily organised for pupils in the 1st grade and special education. If there is availability in the groups, available positions are offered to pupils in the 2nd grade of general education.

Afternoon activities in basic education are mainly organised on weekday school days from 12.00 to 16.00. There may be exceptions to the hours in groups in sparsely populated areas.

Application

Applications for afternoon activities must be submitted electronically through Wilma or by delivering an application by 21 February 2024 to address: Kuopion kaupunki, Kasvun ja oppimisen palvelualue Perusopetuksen tukipalvelut / Iltapäivätoiminta, Suokatu 42, PL 1097, 70111 Kuopio. The application must indicate the period for which the activity is applied for. Applications for afternoon activities in private schools must be made on a paper form.

In Wilma, there is one form for applying for the afternoon activities in the spring term 2024 **or** in school year 2024-2025.

The custodian undertakes to pay the fees monthly when the custodian has filled in the online application form or submitted the signed form.

Custodians are asked to notify of any changes related to afternoon activities (e.g. change in starting date, change in the need for hours of activities, termination of afternoon activities, changes in the information of the person receiving the bill). This can be done using the relevant form available in Wilma. The afternoon activities can be terminated in writing. The period of notice is one calendar month. If you do not have the possibility to fill in the form in Wilma, you can notify of any changes to email address iltapaivatoiminta@kuopio.fi.

Fees

If the child participates in the afternoon activities for 3 hours per day or 1-15 hours per week, the fee is **120 euros** per month. If the child participates in the afternoon activities for 4 hours per day or more than 15 hours per week, the fee is **160 euros** per month. The fees are billed retrospectively once a month. The fees have been in force since 1 August 2021.

Half of the fee based on attendance (60 or 80 euros) is billed for August. No fee reimbursement is made for the school holidays during the autumn break, Christmas break or winter break. The fee is charged for each month when the child participates in afternoon activities.

The fee will be reduced to one half if the child is absent due to the child's illness for 11 days or more in a calendar month. If the child is absent for the whole calendar month due to the child's illness, no fee is charged. If the child is absent for reasons other than the child's illness for the whole calendar month, half of the fee is charged.

Applying for a payment relief

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 early childhood education, if the family receives social assistance, or by a statement from child welfare / social worker. No fee is charged for pupils covered by the Act on the Rights of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities.

An application for a payment relief is made using a separate form with the necessary most recent supporting documents attached to it. The application with its appendices must be delivered to address: Kasvu ja oppiminen, Perusopetuksen tukipalvelut / Iltapäivätoiminta, Suokatu 42, PL 1097, 70111 Kuopio. Payment relief decisions are not made retrospectively.

Application instructions

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

For further information, please contact Maria Louhimo, afternoon activities planner, tel. 044 718 4114, and Virve Varonen, afternoon activities secretary, tel. 044 718 1388, or iltapaivatoiminta@kuopio.fi (service email for afternoon activities).

As of 1 May 2024, the service telephone number for afternoon activities is 044 718 1388 and the telephone service hours are:

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