

Public preschool

All children have the right to public preschool from the autumn term of the year they turn 3. The application is made via e-service. Public preschool is free of charge and is run 525 hours per year within the normal preschool activities.

When is public preschool?

The principal at the preschool decides how the 525 hours are to be distributed and also decides whether meals are served. It is public preschool during the normal school year schedule which applies to the school. This implies that you do not have the right to leave your child during study days or holidays. This also means that there is no public preschool during autumn holidays, Christmas holidays, sports holidays, Easter holidays and summer holidays.

How do I go about applying for public preschool?

The application for general preschool is done in the e-service on this page. If you want to change from public preschool to a placement in a paid preschool, it is also possible to do so in e-service. The new placement can begin as soon as the principal sees that it is possible. If you want to change from a placement you are paying for to a public preschool, you must make the change in the e-service no later than one month in advance. The paying placement has a notice period of one month when the regular fee is paid.

The times for public preschool are fixed and determined by the principal of the preschool. If you are unemployed, it is recommended that you do not choose a public preschool as you may be offered employment quickly and do not in the span of time have the opportunity to immediately increase in care.

You who do not have a placement at a public preschool but have children aged 3-5 years old, can get a 30 percent reduction in the preschool fee, but not during the summer holidays. Fee reduction takes place automatically. You as custodial parents do not need to apply for it.