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Raising Children ②



There are places to take care of children until they enter elementary school (*Shō Gakkō*).

The places to leave your child depend on the age of the child and whether you are working or not.

For more information, contact < the Child Rearing Support Section (*Kosodate Shien Ka*) > at the City Hall.

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age	Until 6 years	7 8 9 10 11 12	13 14 15	16 17 18	19 20 21 22
School	Certified Child Center/ Preschool/ Nursery School	Elementary School (6 years)	Junior High School (3 years)	High School	University
		After-school care center			



(1) Preschool (*Yōchi En*) /

Certified Child Center for all children (*Kodomo En Tanji Bu*)

Children who are three years old enter them until they enter elementary school. Anyone who turns three years old are able to enter them.

If you apply by December 10 of the previous year, you are able to start in April of the following year. For more information, contact < the Child Care Support Section (*Kosodate Shien Ka*) > at the City Hall.



(2) Nursery school (*Hoiku En*) /

Certified Child Center for children whose guardian is working or sick (*Kodomo En Chōji Bu*)

Children are able to enter them while their guardians are working or sick.

The number of people who enter them is limited.

If you sign up by December 10 of the previous year, you will start in April of the following year. Babies are probably available. Ask < the Child Care Support Section (*Kosodate Shien Ka*) > at the City Hall for more information.



(3) After-School Care Center (*Gakudō Club*) (Children are able to enter it when they reach elementary school age.)

It is a service for elementary school students that their guardians leave their children after school when the guardians are working. For more information, ask < the Child Education Section (*Kodomo Kyōiku Ka*) > at the City Hall.



