

Help with childcare costs: for parents who are students



This easy read document tells you about childcare support you can get if you are studying.



This document is part of a set of easy read information about help with childcare costs. [The full list of easy read documents is at the end of this document.](#)

Care to Learn



[Care to Learn](#) pays for childcare costs whilst you study if you are under 20 years old at the start of your course.



You need to apply before the start of your course or as soon as possible after your course has started.



You can get up to £180 per week to help with the cost of childcare and taking your child to their childcare.



Childcare payments go straight to the childcare provider.



Travel payments go straight to your school or college.



You can apply for Care to Learn at the [Student Bursary Support Service](#).

Childcare Grant



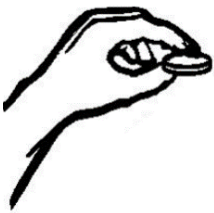
You can get 85 per cent of your childcare costs, or a fixed maximum amount, whatever is less.



The maximum you can get is:

Up to £199.62 a week for 1 child

Up to £342.24 a week for 2 or more children



You have to pay any remaining costs for childcare.



Parents in full time education with children under 15, or under 17 if they have special educational needs or disabilities can have the childcare grant if they are [eligible for student finance](#).



You can find out more information and how to apply, [online](#).

Learner Support



If you are 19 or over, on a further education course and living with money difficulties you may be eligible for Learner Support.



Your learning provider, such as a college, decides how much money you get.



This can help to pay for things like accommodation and travel, course materials and equipment, and childcare.



You can find more information [online](#).

More information



You can find out if you can get help from the government with childcare costs, and apply online on the [Childcare Choices website](#).



You can find out what help you can get with childcare costs with the [Childcare Calculator](#).



Find out about other benefits and support you may be able to get with the [Government Benefits Calculator](#).



Turn 2 Us also have a [benefits calculator](#) you can use.

Other childcare funding easy read documents



You can read our other easy read documents with specific information on childcare support for:



- [Childcare funding for working parents with children over than 9 months and under 5 years](#)



- [Tax free childcare for working families of children aged 0-11 \(or 0-16 if the child has disabilities\)](#)



- [Universal Credit for childcare](#)



- [Families receiving additional forms of financial support with children aged 2](#)



- [Disability Access Fund](#)

Links in this document

Care to Learn

gov.uk/care-to-learn

Student Bursary Support Service

studentbursary.education.gov.uk/w/webpage/student-bursary

Student Finance Eligibility

gov.uk/student-finance/who-qualifies

Childcare Grant information and application

gov.uk/childcare-grant

Learner Support

gov.uk/learner-support

Childcare Choices

childcarechoices.gov.uk

Childcare Calculator

gov.uk/childcare-calculator

Government Benefits Calculator

gov.uk/check-benefits-financial-support

Turn 2 Us Benefits Calculator

benefits-calculator.turn2us.org.uk

Easy read – Help with childcare costs: Working families

nottinghamshire.gov.uk/global-content/easy-read-library/help-with-childcare-costs-free-childcare-for-working-families-easy-read

Easy read – Help with childcare costs: Tax-free childcare

nottinghamshire.gov.uk/global-content/easy-read-library/help-with-childcare-costs-tax-free-childcare-easy-read

Easy read – Help with childcare costs: Universal Credit for childcare

nottinghamshire.gov.uk/global-content/easy-read-library/help-with-childcare-costs-universal-credit-for-childcare-easy-read

Easy read – Help with childcare costs: Families receiving additional forms of financial support with children aged 2

nottinghamshire.gov.uk/global-content/easy-read-library/help-with-childcare-costs-families-receiving-additional-support-with-2-year-old-children-easy-read

Easy read – Help with childcare costs: Disability Access Fund

nottinghamshire.gov.uk/global-content/easy-read-library/help-with-childcare-costs-disability-access-fund-easy-read

For plain English web page version of this information, go to:

[Help with childcare costs \(Nottinghamshire County Council\)](#)

nottinghamshire.gov.uk/care/early-years-and-childcare/help-with-childcare-costs

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