

Tennessee Department of Human Services
Child Care Certificate Program Provider Weekly Reimbursement Rates Including QRIS Scorecard Bonus Payments

Effective October 1, 2024

Child Care Centers	State Rate		*QRIS Score 80-89		**QRIS Score 90-100	
	Top Tier	Lower Tier	Top Tier	Lower Tier	Top Tier	Lower Tier
Infant (Full-time) (a) 6 wks to 13 mos	\$260.00	\$170.00	\$299.00	\$196.00	\$312.00	\$204.00
Toddler (Full-time) (a) 13 mos to 31 mos	\$240.00	\$160.00	\$276.00	\$184.00	\$288.00	\$192.00
Preschool (Full-time) (a) 31 mos to Kindergarten	\$208.00	\$148.00	\$239.00	\$170.00	\$250.00	\$178.00
School In	\$79.00	\$75.00	\$91.00	\$86.00	\$95.00	\$90.00
School Out	\$143.00	\$110.00	\$164.00	\$127.00	\$172.00	\$132.00

Group Homes	State Rate		One Star		Two Stars	
	Top Tier	Lower Tier	Top Tier	Lower Tier	Top Tier	Lower Tier
Infant (Full-time) (a) 6 wks to 13 mos	\$215.00	\$143.00	\$247.00	\$164.00	\$258.00	\$172.00
Toddler (Full-time) (a) 13 mos to 31 mos	\$200.00	\$140.00	\$230.00	\$161.00	\$240.00	\$168.00
Preschool (Full-time) (a) 31 mos to Kindergarten	\$184.00	\$133.00	\$212.00	\$153.00	\$221.00	\$160.00
School In	\$101.00	\$75.00	\$116.00	\$86.00	\$121.00	\$90.00
School Out	\$135.00	\$100.00	\$155.00	\$115.00	\$162.00	\$120.00

Family Homes	State Rate		One Star		Two Stars	
	Top Tier	Lower Tier	Top Tier	Lower Tier	Top Tier	Lower Tier
Infant (Full-time) (a) 6 wks to 13 mos	\$200.00	\$133.00	\$230.00	\$153.00	\$240.00	\$160.00
Toddler (Full-time) (a) 13 mos to 31 mos	\$180.00	\$126.00	\$207.00	\$145.00	\$216.00	\$151.00
Preschool (Full-time) (a) 31 mos to Kindergarten	\$163.00	\$125.00	\$187.00	\$144.00	\$196.00	\$150.00
School In	\$119.00	\$79.00	\$137.00	\$91.00	\$143.00	\$95.00
School Out	\$125.00	\$120.00	\$144.00	\$138.00	\$150.00	\$144.00

Authorized	State Rate	
	Top Tier	Lower Tier
Infant (Full-time) (a) 6 wks to 13 mos	\$126.00	\$95.00
Toddler (Full-time) (a) 13 mos to 31 mos	\$119.00	\$88.00
Preschool (Full-time) (a) 31 mos to Kindergarten	\$95.00	\$78.00
School In	\$55.00	\$55.00
School Out	\$84.00	\$73.00

(a) Part-time for Infant, Toddler, and Preschool is one-half the full-time rate (rounded up)

* = QRIS Scorecard 80-89 equal state rate plus a 15% quality bonus payment for TDHS Licensed Providers

** = QRIS Scorecard 90-100 equal state rate plus a 20% quality bonus for TDHS Licensed Providers

Note: "Top Tier Counties" are those with the 20 highest average populations in 2022 and/or 20 highest per capita incomes 2022. The following counties meet one of those criteria:

Anderson, Blount, Bradley, Cheatham, Davidson, Dickson, Dyer, Fayette, Gibson, Greene, Hamilton, Henry, Knox, Loudon, Madison, Maury, Montgomery, Putnam, Robertson, Rutherford, Sevier, Shelby, Sullivan, Sumner, Washington, Williamson, Wilson

Note: Beginning July 1, 2019 the State will add a 15% differential to counties identified as either distressed or child care deserts based on current Desert Mapping and annual distress county designations : Desert: • Regions are identified as a deficit of over 250 child care slots to meet the needs of families. This includes the following counties: Bradley, Campbell, Cannon, Chester, Coffee, Cumberland, Decatur, Dickson, Fentress, Franklin, Grainger, Greene, Hardeman, Hardin, Hawkins, Henderson, Hickman, Humphreys, Jefferson, Lawrence, Loudon, Macon, Marion, Marshall, Maury, McMinn, McNairy, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Perry, Rhea, Roane, Smith, Union, Warren, White, Distressed as of July 1, 2025: Bledsoe, Cocke, Grundy, Hancock, Hardeman, Haywood, Lake, Perry, Scott

Note: Beginning July 1, 2019 a 15% differential above the current reimbursement rates will be provided for children receiving care in non-traditional hours. (The majority of the child's care is offered between the hours of 6:00pm and 6:00am.)

Note: Beginning October 1, 2021 a 15% differential above the current reimbursement rates will be provided for children receiving care and have been identified with disabilities and special needs.

Note: Beginning October 1, 2023 a 15% differential above the current reimbursement rates will be provided for infants and toddlers.