



ACS: EarlyLearn NYC

EarlyLearn NYC is a unique, ground-breaking education model that will merge child care and early education into a single, seamless system and establish a foundation for success for the City’s neediest children. This new program will meet the needs of New York City’s children and families by providing services to income-eligible families, allowing them to seek or maintain employment, while establishing consistent, quality services across all program sites

NOTE: The following information reflects the eligibility guidelines for non-Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) families. Parents or caretakers receiving TANF, also known as Cash Assistance (CA), that are engaged in an approved work activity must be referred to their respective Human Resources Administration (HRA) Job Center (Cash Assistance office) where their eligibility will be determined.

Eligibility

In order for a family to receive subsidized child care services, the family must meet specific financial and social eligibility criteria that are determined by federal, state, and local regulations. In order to determine whether a family is eligible for subsidized child care, the parent must appear at an eligibility interview at an ACS child care office.

Financial eligibility is determined by a family's gross income, with consideration of family size. Fees for child care services are based on a sliding scale.

Family Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	Each additional member
Maximum Income Ceiling	\$22,340	\$30,260	\$38,180	\$46,100	\$54,020	\$61,940	Add \$7,920

Social eligibility refers to the requirement that all families must have a documented “reason for care.” The following are the acceptable “reasons for care.”

1. Employment
2. Vocational Training, Education, or Rehabilitation
3. Homeless/Domestic Violence
4. Preventive/Protective Services
5. Employed Foster Care

What are ACS-funded child care programs?

ACS directly funds child care services for eligible families at more than 300 child care centers, and family child care networks as well as over 250 Head Start programs. All ACS-funded child care centers and family child care networks are registered by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to make sure they meet NYS and NYC standards.

What is a ‘voucher’?

A child care voucher is a type of subsidy that permits families eligible for subsidized child care to access child care services outside of the ACS-funded programs. Funding for vouchers is *extremely* limited, and *the wait for a voucher can be very long*. The voucher does NOT pay for non-traditional hours or weekend child care.

How to apply for subsidized child care

Families interested in subsidized child care should apply to be evaluated by ACS. Visit the ACS website (<http://www.nyc.gov/html/acs>) for information about the EarlyLearn Family Child Care Networks that correspond to your area. Contact programs in your area to discuss availability, program requirements and the needs of your child. You are encouraged to visit the child care programs in order to choose the best care for you and your child.

To find out more about ACS and the work they do, please log onto www.nyc.gov/html/acs or call 3-1-1.





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**Please call CHCF for an Eligibility
application interview.**

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Ave.

Office Hours:
Tuesday 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Thursday 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
*By appointment only

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR CHILD CARE SUBSIDY APPLICATIONS

Make sure to bring **all original documents** to your Eligibility application appointment.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED BY ALL APPLICANTS

- Proof of Birth for every child in the home under age 18 (birth certificate, baptismal record, alien registration card)
- Proof of Address (ex. current utility bill, lease, etc.)
- Public Assistance/Medicaid Card (if applicable)
- Proof of child's Alien Registration Status, if not born in the U.S.
(alien registration card, INS form I-94, etc.) – must be original documents
- Social Security Cards for parent(s) and children (optional)

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR FINANCIAL AND SOCIAL ELIGIBILITY

1. Employment

Pay Stubs

- Bi-weekly or Semi-Monthly - last two (2) current and consecutive pay stubs (if pay does not fluctuate); last six (6) current and consecutive pay stubs (if pay fluctuates)
- Weekly – last 4 current and consecutive pay stubs (if pay does not fluctuate); last 12 current and consecutive pay stubs (if pay fluctuates)
- CS 1069 Form - Referral to Employer for Income Information (accepted only when pay stubs are unavailable or insufficient)
- Self-Employed – Form 1040 and appropriate Schedules - should be referred to the Resource Area for eligibility determination and processing

2. School/Vocational Training

- CS 1082 - Vocational Training Verification
Note: A letter from the training institution on official letterhead is also acceptable.

3. Homeless/Domestic Violence

- If the family is homeless, documentation of the family's temporary address (shelter, living with another family, in a hotel/motel, or in a car, park, bus, train or campsite) should be provided.
- Documentation from the agency providing domestic violence services to the family is required and should include days and hours attended.