

Applications for April 2024 Enrollment in Nursery School

保育園などの一次受け付けを開始 「ひろしま市民と市政」11月15日号(P3)

The primary application period for April 2024 enrollment in nursery schools has begun and, beginning on November 24, applications are now being accepted at the Welfare Division (*Fukushi Ka*) of each ward office.

Who is eligible?

Parents or guardians who cannot take care of their children at home during the day because of work, health conditions, family affairs, etc., and are either:

- ① Parents or guardians applying for the first time for April 2024 entry into nursery school
- ② Parents or guardians who have applied for nursery school, but have not yet been admitted

Available nursery schools

Available school information is shown in the list of schools, which is provided in print at nursery schools and on the City of Hiroshima website.

Spaces are available at:

- ☑ Public or private nursery schools (保育園, *Hoikuen*)
- ☑ Public or private certified child care centers (認定こども園, *Nintei-kodomo-en*)
*Exclusively for 2-gō and 3-gō *Nintei Bubun* (2 & 3号認定部分)
- ☑ Private small childcare services (小規模保育事業所, *Shōkibo-hoiku-jigyōsho*)
- ☑ Daycare facilities established in places of business (事業所内保育事業所, *Jigyōsho-nai-hoiku-jigyōsho*) *Exclusively for local community users

How to apply

Submit the required documents to the Welfare Division (*Fukushi Ka*) of your nearest ward office. Online applications are also accepted. For more information about online applications, please see the City's official website.

Documents you will need to prepare

For people under category ①

A completed application form and a formal document stating that your child needs care. Application forms and the list of available schools can be downloaded from the City's website and are available at:

- ☒ The Welfare Division (*Fukushi Ka*) of all ward offices
- ☒ Branch offices
- ☒ The available nursery schools

For people under category ②

The Welfare Division (*Fukushi Ka*) of the ward office for the area where you want your child to attend will send you any necessary documents by mail.

Application period

- ☒ Apply directly to the ward office
Until January 10 (Wed), 2024
Offices are open from 8:30 am to 5 pm on weekdays (Mon-Fri).
- ☒ Online
Until December 22 (Fri), 2023

[Temporary extended hours]

The Welfare Division will accept applications on the following dates and times, in addition to regular business hours:

December 19 (Thu), 2023 & January 5 (Fri), 2024	8:30 am- 8 pm
Sunday , December 10, 2023	9:30 am-4 pm

What do I do if my applications are put on hold or I don't make my submission in time?

You can apply during the secondary application period.

Secondary application period:

- ☒ Apply directly to the ward office
From February 19 (Mon) to February 26 (Mon), 2024
Offices are open from 8:30 am to 5 pm on weekdays (Mon-Fri).
- ☒ Online
From February 19 (Mon) to February 20 (Tue), 2024



Can I apply for 2024 March enrollment?

Your application for 2024 March enrollment will be accepted from November 24 (Fri), 2023 to January 10 (Wed), 2024. For more details, refer to the official City of Hiroshima website.

Nursery School Q&A

Q: Can I apply to more than one nursery school?

A: Yes. For information on nursery schools, please contact the Welfare Division of the ward office.

Q: Can I apply for a nursery school which is not in the ward where I live?

A: Yes. Apply at the Welfare Division of the ward where your desired nursery school is.

Q: Can I visit a nursery school to see what it is like?

A: Please contact the nursery school which you would like to visit.

Q: Do you offer adjustment periods for children?

A: When returning to your old workplace from childcare leave or when starting a new job, you can apply to have your child enter nursery school two weeks prior starting work. You can use this two-week period to have your child adjust to daycare.

Inquires:

For more details, refer to the official City of Hiroshima website:

Childrearing: Applying for Nursery School (General Nursery School Information)
<https://www.city.hiroshima.lg.jp/site/english/190169.html>



Welfare Division (*Fukushi Ka*) of your local ward office

Ward	Tel	Ward	Tel
Naka	082-504-2569	Asaminami	082-831-4945
Higashi	082-568-7733	Asakita	082-819-0605
Minami	082-250-4131	Aki	082-821-2813
Nishi	082-294-6342	Saeki	082-943-9732