NSW Department of Education

Fee Relief for Long Day Care

2027 Fee Relief Declaration and Consent Form

What is this form for?

This form is for families to apply for NSW Government Fee Relief for eligible 3-year-old and 4-year-old children enrolled in NSW eligible long day care services. It also gives your consent to your service to share personal information with the NSW Department of Education (the department). Please see more information about this consent on Page 3.

What do families do?

1. Give this completed form to the long day care service where your child is enrolled.
2. Complete a separate form for each child enrolled at a long day care service.

You do not need to send this form to the department.

How much Fee Relief will you receive?

Fee Relief is applied after the Child Care Subsidy to reduce your child's fees. The amount of Fee Relief is dependent on service provider, location of the service, and the age of your child. Please check with your service how much Fee Relief you will receive.

Why is this form important?

This form allows your service to apply weekly Fee Relief after the Child Care Subsidy to further reduce your fees.

Section 1 - Your child	
First name	
Last name	
Sex	
Date of birth *Your child must be at least 3 years old on, or before, 31 July 2027*	

Address *Where does your child live most of the time? (this should not be a PO Box address)*	

Is your child identified on their enrolment form as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander?	Yes ☐	No ☐

Section 2 - The long day care service where your child is enrolled, and you want Fee Relief to be applied (unless otherwise indicated in the Parent Declaration below). You can only nominate one long day care service for Fee Relief, even if your child is enrolled at multiple services.	
Name of service	
Address of service	

Section 3 - Is your child enrolled in another eligible long day care service?	
This is another long day care service, an occasional education and care service, or a mobile education and care service that is offering a long day care service and 2027 Fee Relief for Long Day Care. ☐ Yes ☐ No	
If you answered 'yes', please provide the name(s) of the other service(s)	
Note: You cannot apply for Fee Relief under the 2027 Fee Relief for Long Day Care program for the same child from more than one service. If your child is enrolled in more than one service, you must choose one service to receive Fee Relief.	

PARENT/CARER/GUARDIAN DECLARATION

I understand that this information about my child is being collected on behalf of the NSW Department of Education in accordance with the Privacy Notice below.

I understand the long day care service in Section 2 where my child is enrolled and/or where I have applied for Fee Relief is required to give this information about my child to the NSW Department of Education, as per the Privacy Notice.

Please tick the box for the Fee Relief option that applies to you:

☐ I **want** to access Fee Relief at the service nominated in Section 2.
My child is not receiving Fee Relief from another long day care service.

OR

☐ I **do not** want to access Fee Relief at the service nominated in Section 2.
My child is already receiving Fee Relief from another long day care service, as nominated in Section 3;

OR

☐ I am choosing not to receive Fee Relief.

Section 4 - Parent/carer/guardian details	
Name	
Signature	
Date	

Privacy Notice

The NSW Department Education is collecting the personal information about you and your child that you put in this form.

What information is collected?

The department collects information such as names, birth dates, addresses, Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status, language background and service(s) enrolment information.

Doyou have to give consent?

No, but if you don't, you won't receive Fee Relief through the department's Fee Relief for Long Day Care program.

Why is the information collected?

The department uses this information to administer the Fee Relief for Long Day Care program, including to check eligibility, manage payments, audit compliance and evaluate the program and use of funding. The information may also be used for research and developing policies related to long day care services. If personal information is shared with third parties, it will only be used for those purposes.

Your personal information will not be shared with others unless required by law or with your consent. Any published information will be anonymous and will not include names or identifying details.

You may withdraw consent to the department's use or disclosure of your information at any time by contacting your long day care service where your child is enrolled.

You have the right to access and correct your personal information held by the department by writing to Legal Services – Privacy, GPO Box 33, Sydney NSW 2001, or legal.privacy@det.nsw.edu.au.

More information, including the department's Privacy Management Plan, can be found on the department's privacy standards webpage: https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/pd-2024-0485-07

Note: This section is optional. Long day care services may complete this section to provide more information for their own administrative processes. For service use only (to be completed by the long day care service)	
Child enrolment ID	
Service ID	
Staff name	
Signature	
Date	

Artists' Acknowledgement

Artwork Title: Our Children. Our Culture. Our Future.

A Story of the Child at the Heart of Everything We Do

Artists': Jessica Poole and Cree Welsh

Year: 2026

Two Aboriginal women, Jessica Poole, a proud Minang/Koreng woman, and Cree Welsh, a proud Wiradjuri/Weilwan woman, came together to create an artwork grounded in a shared belief: our children are at the heart of everything we do, and their future is our collective responsibility.

From this shared purpose, the circle was formed.

Imagine a circle where every child has a place. Where no one sits outside, no story is overlooked and every voice holds meaning. The circle carries the strength of connection, kinship and belonging. It has no beginning and no end, just as the journey of life, learning and cultural knowledge continues from one generation to the next.

At the centre is the child.

Not separate from family, culture or community, but connected to all that surrounds them. The child is the reason we gather, the reason we listen and the reason we must consider how our decisions shape the lives of those entrusted to our care. Within the Department, this becomes a commitment to ensuring children are at the centre of policy, practice and decision-making. Their experiences, voices, identities and wellbeing must guide the work we do.

Because before a child understands the world, they begin to understand themselves through connection. Through family, through the stories shared by Elders, through community and educators, through the Country beneath their feet and through the relationships that tell them, you belong here.

This is where culture becomes a foundation.

And as the child journeys through life, resilience is strengthened through the knowledge that they are not walking alone. Family, community, culture and Country provide connections that can sustain them through challenge and change. Belonging reminds a child that their story matters, their identity is valued and there is a place for them within the circle.

This is the heart of our collaboration.

As Aboriginal women, we bring our own cultural identities, experiences and understandings to this shared creation. Through the artwork, we honour the children of today and the generations yet to come. We acknowledge that the decisions we make now can shape the opportunities, identity and wellbeing of children long into the future.

These are not simply words. They are a responsibility, a connection and a promise to keep returning to what matters most.

To listen before deciding. To place children at the centre. To honour family and culture. To strengthen belonging and to ensure that the work we do today contributes to a future where every child has the opportunity to thrive with pride, connection and a strong sense of who they are.