

Reference Number

Application Form

FREE Childcare for Two Year Olds

Details of person claiming/receiving benefit



Where can my child attend?

The quality of nursery education for two year olds is very important. Shropshire Council will fund 24U places with early learning providers (pre-schools, playgroups, nurseries and Childminders) who have received a good or outstanding judgement in their most recent Ofsted inspection. For details of these providers please contact the Family Information Service Directory of providers or ask your local provider if they are signed up. (Look out for the 24U logo).



Contacts

To find out more about quality activities for you and your child contact the **Family Information Service(FIS)** or your local **Children's Centre**.

Family Information Service – telephone **01743 254400** or email **www.shropshirefamilyinfo.co.uk**

Children's Centre – go to **www.shropshire.gov.uk/childrenscentres.nsf** for your local centre's contact information

If you have any queries or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us on **01743 254452** or by email to **24U@shropshire.gov.uk** and our friendly team will be happy to help you.



Parent/Carer's full name:

Relationship to child/children:

Parent/Carer's National Insurance number:

Parent/Carer's date of birth

Spouse/Partner's full name:

Spouse/Partner's National Insurance number:

Spouse/Partner's date of birth

Email:

Parents Ethnicity:

Parents first spoken language:

Preferred contact address:

Postcode:

Telephone number:

Child/children's information for which you are claiming 24U:

First Name	Surname	Date of Birth	Boy or Girl	Ethnic Background	Does your Child have Special Needs

Data Protection Act: Personal information that you have provided will be used carefully and may be held on computer systems of the Childcare Provider and Shropshire Council. The use of this personal information is covered by registration under the data protection legislation. Under the legislation you have the right to obtain a copy of the information that we hold about you. **Please note** information/data will be shared with the local Children's Centre for your area to enable them to register your details with them.

Your two-year-old is eligible for a free place if you claim any of the following:

- income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- support through part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act
- the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit

If you claim any of these please tick here and then return the form to us. If you do not claim any of these benefits.....

Your two-year-old will also be eligible if:

(Please select the appropriate box and return the form with the supporting evidence as indicated)

- you get Child Tax Credit and have an annual income not over £16,190 a year *(please provide us with a copy of your most recent Tax Credits statement from the HMRC - Form TC602)*
- you get Working Tax Credits and earn no more than £16,190 a year *(please provide us with a copy of your most recent Tax Credits statement from the HMRC - Form TC602)*
- your child has a current statement of special educational needs (SEN) or an education, health and care plan *(please provide evidence of this)*
- your child gets Disability Living Allowance *(please provide a copy of your child's award notice)*
- your child has left care through special guardianship or an adoption or residence order *(please provide evidence of this or let us know under which Local Authority/Social Worker your child was registered)*
- your child is looked after *(please provide evidence of this or let us know under which Local Authority/Social Worker your child was registered)*

Declaration

Please read and sign the Declaration below:

I certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I am legally responsible for the child/children for whom I am applying. I understand that Shropshire Council may verify the information given with Government Departments.

I also certify that the details provided above may be used to check eligibility for the Free Entitlement for Two Year Olds, using the Department for Education's online Eligibility Checking Service.

By applying for a free childcare place you will be registered as a Children's Centre member which provides local services and information for you and your child.

Please tick in the box to confirm

I understand that Children's Centre Services may share the information I have given with partner agencies delivering services relating to Children's Centres. This may include other professionals sharing relevant information in certain circumstances.

I am happy for the Children's Centre Team and partner agencies to provide me with information about activities and services of benefit to my family.

I am already a Children's Centre member

I do not want to be registered as a Children's Centre member

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: ____/____/____

A deliberate false statement may lead to prosecution.

Return to: **24U** Team, Learning and Skills, Shirehall,
Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ND
or use the pre-paid envelope provided

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

Eligibility / Evidence checks completed:

Signature: _____

Date: _____