



COVID-19 Child Care Reopening Grant Funding Opportunity

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What is this funding about?

As Oregon focuses on COVID-19 recovery, the Oregon Department of Education’s Early Learning Division (“ELD”) is providing this funding opportunity to child cares who stopped providing services due to COVID-19.

Who is eligible?

To be eligible for a Grant under this funding opportunity, applicants must meet all the following criteria for its category:

Licensed (must meet all criteria)	ODHS license-exempt family child care (must meet all criteria)
Owned or operated a licensed child care during February 2020	Listed and approved to receive child care subsidy with ODHS during February 2020
Stopped providing services between March 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021 (except for regularly scheduled closures)	Stopped providing services between March 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021 (except for regularly scheduled closures)
Reopened or has plans to reopen after June 30, 2021	Reopened or has plans to reopen after June 30, 2021
Commits to be enrolled with Find Child Care Oregon and open for referrals	Commits to be enrolled with Find Child Care Oregon and open for referrals

Child cares who are Early Head Start, Head Start, Oregon Prekindergarten, or Relief Nurseries are not eligible for a Grant due to no reduction of funding during the pandemic.

Applicants who have been deemed ineligible to receive funding from ELD are not eligible to receive a Grant under this funding opportunity.

Applicants who reopened or plan to reopen under a different license type, site address, provider name and/or ownership may require additional review by ELD to confirm eligibility.

Applicants who own or operate more than one child care must submit separate applications for each site.

How much are the Grants?

ELD has \$10 million from the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021. 100% of the funding for this opportunity will be paid with federal money.

ELD anticipates awarding multiple Grant Agreements (each a “Grant”) from this funding opportunity. The initial term of each Grant is anticipated to be at least 6 months, with an option for a retroactive start date to July 1, 2021, and with options to renew or extend at ELD’s discretion. Estimated Grant amounts are shown below. Actual Grants will vary based on the number of eligible applicants and availability of funds at the time of application.

This funding may be subject to tax. Please consult your tax authority if you have questions.

Child Care Type	Estimated Grant Amount
ODHS license-exempt family child care	\$1,308
Registered Family	\$7,796
Certified Family	\$11,392
Certified Center (capacity of less than 21)	\$13,332
Certified Center (capacity of 21-50)	\$22,218
Certified Center (capacity greater than 50)	\$33,326

What is the application process?

This funding opportunity, including all attachments and updates, is published on the ELD website at oregonearlylearning.com/COVID-19-Resources/Grants . Applicants are responsible for checking the ELD website for updates.

Applicants must complete and submit an online application at ode.smapply.org/prog/reopening by November 30, 2021, 5 p.m. (PT) to be considered for a Grant.

Submitted applications will be reviewed twice a month during the open application period. ELD will notify all applicants of their application status in writing. ELD will contact applicants if additional information is needed.

If approved, applicants will be offered a Grant for signature. This will be sent via email using DocuSign. Grants must be signed within 30 days of receipt.

What are the requirements?

If selected for a Grant, applicant must provide its Taxpayer Identification Number and backup withholding status on a completed W-9 form. ELD will not disburse any Grant funds without a properly completed W-9.

The Grant will include state and federal terms and conditions, including, but not limited to the following:

- Grant funds may only be used for allowable costs such as to pay for lease/mortgage, utilities, insurance, food, supplies, staff compensation and benefits, and other reasonable operating costs.
- Funds may not be used to purchase or improve land or for the purchase, construction, or permanent improvement of any building or facility.
- Must become licensed by ELD or become listed and approved by ODHS to receive child care subsidy, whichever is applicable.
- Must enroll with Find Child Care Oregon and must be caring for at least one child.

A sample Grant can be reviewed on the ELD website.

What is the payment process?

Grant funds will be disbursed in two equal installments after meeting the following conditions:

Payment 1 - 50% of Grant funds

Active License: After execution of the Grant

Expired License: After execution of the Grant and completing the application process to become licensed by ELD

License Exempt: After execution of the Grant and becoming listed and approved by ODHS to receive child care subsidy

Payment 2 - 50% of Grant funds

Active License: When open for referrals with Find Child Care Oregon and providing care for at least one child

Expired License: When the following conditions have been met (must be within 90 days of receiving the first payment):

- 1) Enrolled with Find Child Care Oregon
- 2) Open for referrals with Find Child Care Oregon
- 3) Providing care for at least one child

License Exempt: When the following conditions have been met (must be within 90 days of receiving the first payment):

- 1) Enrolled with Find Child Care Oregon
- 2) Open for referrals with Find Child Care Oregon
- 3) Providing care for at least one child
- 4) Completed the training required by ODHS

Do you have questions?

All questions regarding this funding opportunity must be directed to ECCgrants@state.or.us or 971-707-2029 (8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pacific Time, Monday through Friday). Visit oregonearlylearning.com/COVID-19-Resources/Grants for information and resources.