

# BRIGHT FUTURES

START IN  
EARLY YEARS



Did you know your 2 year old could receive up to 15 hours free early education per week, subject to eligibility?

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## Your child's free early years place is waiting for you today!

Research shows that children who start their education in early years achieve better GCSE results.

If you are on certain benefits such as Universal, Child Tax or Working Tax Credits and have an annual income of below £16,190 before tax (£15,400 for families in receipt of Universal Credit) you could be eligible. You could also be eligible if your child receives DLA, has an EHCP Plan or is looked after by the Local Authority.

### **Other criteria**

If you're a non-UK citizen who cannot claim benefits.

If your immigration status says you have 'no recourse to public funds', you may still get free childcare for your 2-year-old. You must live in England and your household income must be no more than:

- £26,500 for families outside of London with one child
- £30,600 for families outside of London with two or more children

You cannot have more than £16,000 in savings or investments.

The easiest way to apply is online using our Citizen Portal, which you will use for all your applications for Free Early Education and School Admissions in the future.

By typing in the following link, you will easily be able to register for an account:

[https://capita.slough.gov.uk/CitizenPortal\\_LIVE/Account/Login](https://capita.slough.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/Login)

Your local Children's Centre or preferred childcare provider will also be able to make an application for you on your behalf.

If you would like help in talking through how to make an application on the Citizen Portal, please contact us on 01753 476554 or 01753 476589.



# Application form

## You and your child:

Your child's name

First name	Last name
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Your child's date of birth

DD	MM	YYYY	Your child's gender	M	F
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Your child's ethnicity

	Your child's first language	
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Title

Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms
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Parents full name

First name	Last name
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Relationship to the child

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Parents date of birth\*

DD	MM	YYYY	Parents gender	M	F
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Parents ethnicity

	Parents first language	
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Address

Postcode

Contact phone number

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Email address

(Mandatory - can't process application without this)

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Your National Insurance Number or National Asylum Support Service Reference Number (NASS No)\*

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\*This information is needed so that we can check your eligibility



## Parent declaration: (please tick all the boxes that apply below)

I am in receipt of:

- 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 1999
- The Guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit and have an annual income under £16,190 before tax
- Working Tax Credit and have an annual income under £16,190 before tax
- Universal Credit

If a parent is entitled to Universal Credit they must have an annual net earned income equivalent to and not exceeding £15,400, assessed on up to three of the parent's most recent Universal Credit assessment periods.

## Other criteria: (further supporting evidence will be required)

The child:

- is looked after by the local authority
- has an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHP)
- receives Disability Living Allowance
- has left care under a special guardianship order, child arrangements order or adoption order
- you are a Zambrano Carer and you have the right to remain in the UK under Article 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR) and are subject to no recourse to public funds; or you are supported under s4 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.

I confirm that I am the legal parent/carer for the child named overleaf and that the information on this form is correct. I agree that you may use the information I have provided to process my claim for a free early education place and to contact other sources, as allowed by law, to verify my initial and ongoing entitlement.

I agree that my chosen early years provider may share information about my child's progress as part of ongoing research to support the development of services for young children in Slough.

### Data Protection:

Under the Data Protection Act 2018, we are required to gain your permission to keep personal details for you and your children on our database. Slough Borough Council and its agents may share this information with government and local authority departments and other authorised organisations for administrative, statistical and research purposes. For further information please visit: [www.slough.gov.uk/council/data-protection-and-foi/privacy-notices.aspx](http://www.slough.gov.uk/council/data-protection-and-foi/privacy-notices.aspx).

If you are unable to access the provided links or wish to submit a query in relation to fair processing, please contact the data protection officer at [DataProtectionOfficer@slough.gov.uk](mailto:DataProtectionOfficer@slough.gov.uk)

**I have read and understood the statements above and would like to apply for a free early education place for my child.**

Parent's signature

Print name

Date

**Send your completed application form in an envelope to the address below:**  
**FREEPOST EARLY YEARS SERVICE**  
**No postage stamp is required**