



2 Pre-school education

2-2 Accredited daycare-kindergartens

Accredited daycare-kindergartens combine the functions of kindergartens and nursery schools. A child may receive a combination of pre-school education and day-care whether or not a child's parents/guardians work during the daytime. Parents/guardians may also receive various services including consultation services regarding the raising of children.

There are four types of accredited daycare-kindergarten: cooperation type, kindergarten type, day-care type, and unaccredited type. You are advised to check carefully as the facilities and administrative methods vary for each type.

- How to apply: Contact the respective accredited daycare-kindergarten.
- Fees: Set by each accredited daycare-kindergarten. Day-care fees are set according to the circumstances of the parents/guardians such as income.
- Subsidies: Kindergartens may have systems providing subsidies to assist with attending kindergarten

If you wish to make use of it, consult the Department of Health and Social Welfare of your prefecture for further information.