

## ⑤ Regarding Use of Childcare Facilities

### Applications for Entry to Childcare Facilities from April 2024

Guidelines for applicants will be distributed at childcare facilities, etc. from **Fri 15 September**. For more information, see these guidelines, or the city website. **(English information will be available)**



### Parenting Plazas (*Kosodate Hiroba*)

Private kindergartens (*yochien*) run casual events called Parenting Plazas for babies, toddlers and their parents. They're great places to get parenting advice and make friends, so why not come on down (it's free). Please contact your *yochien* of choice directly for more information.

### Toddler Parenting Advice

Face-to-face Consultations: Wed, 10:00-14:00 (Reservation required)

Over-the-phone Consultations: Mon, Wed, Fri, 10:00-15:00

\*Not available from 14 to 16 August 2023, 28 December 2023 to 4 January 2024 and 27 to 29 March 2024.

Inquiries: Association of Shizuoka City Private Yochien (Secretariat in Shizuoka Toyoda Yochien ☎054-281-0666)

### Childcare for Children with Disabilities or Medical Needs

Within the boundaries of what is possible, both municipal and private childcare facilities accept children over the age of 3 with disabilities or developmental issues for whom group childcare is possible. In addition, municipal childcare facilities accept children with medical needs for whom group childcare is possible. Please consult your chosen facility as soon as possible.

Continues on next page....

## Regarding Costless Use of Childcare Facilities



Application is required when seeking costless use for the first time. For more information, please see the city website ([https://www.city.shizuoka.lg.jp/344\\_000054.html](https://www.city.shizuoka.lg.jp/344_000054.html)).

### **Yochien, Hoikusho, Certified Kodomo En, etc.**

- Use from ages 3-5 is free of charge.
- Use from ages 0-2 is free for the second child onwards.
- Use from ages 0-2 is free of charge for households exempt from resident tax.  
(For *yochien*, up to ¥25,700 per month is waived.)

### **Unauthorized Childcare Facilities, etc. (When the Parent Has Received Approval of Need for Childcare)**

- Up to ¥37,000 per month is waived for use from ages 3-5.
- Up to ¥42,000 per month is waived for use from ages 0-2 by households exempt from resident tax.

### **Preschool Development Support for Children with Disabilities**

- Use from ages 3-5 is free of charge.
- Use from ages 0-2 is free of charge for the second child onwards if certain criteria are met.

### **Child-minding at Yochien and Certified Kodomo En (When the Parent Has Received Approval of Need for Childcare)**

- Up to ¥11,300 per month is waived for use from ages 3-5.
- Up to ¥16,300 per month is waived for use by children of households exempt from resident tax who have turned 3 during the school year.

### **Inquiries:**

Costless Use in General: Preschool Support Division ☎054-354-2626

Development Support for Children with Disabilities (Inpatient): Children's Guidance Center ☎054-275-2874

Development Support for Children with Disabilities (Outpatient): Disability Support Promotion Division ☎054-221-1098



### **Translated by:**

International and Intercultural Affairs Division  
City of Shizuoka