

Thunder Bay Child Care One List

See below for more information about the child care waitlist within the District of Thunder Bay

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the One List?

The One List is a centralized waitlist to apply for licensed child care programs. You can apply at as many centres as you want on One List for the District of Thunder Bay by visiting the link below.

Can I remain on the waitlist if I receive care at a location that is not my preferred location?

Yes. If you accept care at one preferred location, you may transfer if a space is offered at your preferred location.

Will changing my preferred start date affect where I am on the list?

No, your placement on the waitlist(s) is based off of your application date, not your preferred start date.

If a centre indicates potential care, is that a guarantee I will have a space?

No. It is not a guarantee. It may be beneficial to consider applying to multiple centres in the event that an unexpected change occurs.

Do families have to actively adjust their preferred start date?

No. The One List will sort children automatically by age.

Should I apply for multiple age groups at one centre (ie. infant, toddler and preschool)?

No. It is not necessary to apply for different age groups at the same centre. You should be updating your preferred start instead. Centres will remove duplicate applications.

How do I know where I am on the waitlist at a centre?

Individual centres can indicate your approximate waitlist number. However, start dates can be unpredictable, as many variables impact the waitlist.

Helpful Tips

- Your waitlist application can become inactive by not updating your preferred start date
- Complete your waitlist application as soon as you become aware that care is required
- Don't apply for all age groups at once – start with the age group you require first then update your preferred start date regularly
- Update your child's preferred start date as frequently as possible
- If your application is inactive don't reapply, call the TBDSSAB for help reactivating
- Answer all emails that come through, don't ignore them. Check your junk mail!
- Offers for child care will be determined by the individual centres, NOT by TBDSSAB. Placements are based on various circumstances

Register your child(ren) for licensed child care online at www.thunderbaychildcare.ca

Or scan the QR code



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