Are you interested in offering the Free Early Education Funding (FEEE)?

Leicestershire County Council has a duty to ensure that children and families can access high quality early years provision. Funding is available from the Department for Education to enable every 3 & 4 year old to receive a part time place of up to 570 hours per year (pro-rata’d where applicable). This is known as the universal offer. Eligible parents of 2 year olds can also access a part time place of up to 570 hours per year (pro-rata’d where applicable). This can be accessed over a maximum of 38 weeks per year (15 hours per week) until they reach statutory school age (the term after a child’s 5th birthday). Leicestershire also supports the 30 hours extended entitlement for eligible parents of 3 and 4 year olds, which allows them to access up 1140 hours per year (pro-rata’d where applicable). This can be accessed over a maximum of 38 weeks per year (15 hours per week) until they reach statutory school age (the term after a child’s 5th birthday).

Parents can access their funded hours at any early years setting or childminder that is registered with Ofsted and has been accepted onto Leicestershire’s directory of early education providers and meets the requirements in relation to their Ofsted grade.

**Do you have an Ofsted grade of Good or better?**

Or

**Are you newly registered and do not yet have an Ofsted grade?**

Yes

**Congratulations**, you can support the universal & 30 hours extended entitlement for 3 & 4 year olds and offer eligible 2 year old funding.

To become registered complete the FEEE application...

Once the FEEE application has been accepted, you will receive a confirmation email containing your Provider Agreement. Return this and look through the information on the FEEE toolkit, returning the signatory page at the end of the document as well.

No

**Do you have an Ofsted grade of Requires Improvement?**

Yes

**Congratulations**, you can support the universal 3 & 4 year old offer and the 30 hours extended entitlement.

No

The local authority does not support settings to offer the FEEE if they have an inadequate Ofsted grade.