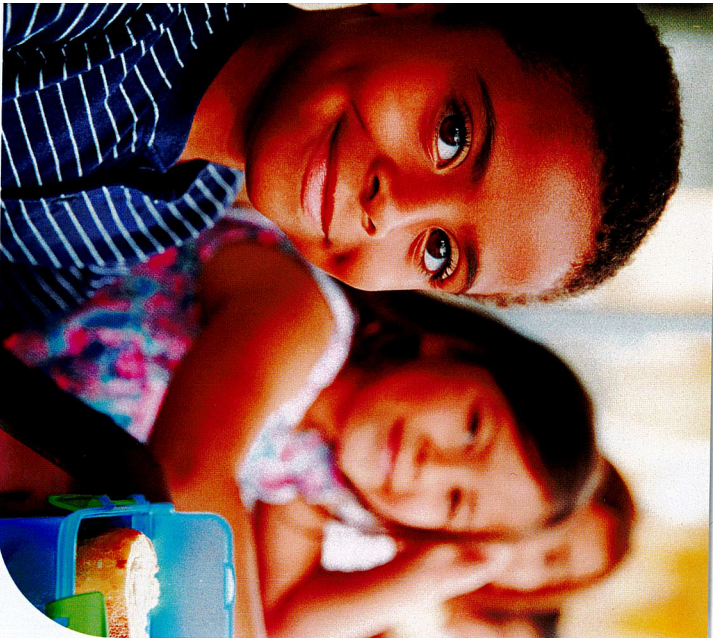




SCHOLARSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ An average monthly scholarship of \$1,000 per child for full-time care is paid directly to a New York state certified child care provider on behalf of the eligible family.
- ★ Our program serves a diverse range of families within the middle-class income range, making quality child care accessible to more people than you might expect.
- ★ Applicants must be working or enrolled in any form of an educational or training program, for a minimum of 10 hours per week.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

- ★ Applicant completes the eligibility screening online.
- ★ If applicant income is below the minimum guidelines, the applicant may qualify for other NYS Child Care Assistance Programs. If so, the applicant will be connected to their county's programs.
- ★ If applicant meets eligibility criteria for the WDI Child Care Scholarship program, a Child Care Scholarship Program Counselor (CCSPC) is assigned and an application is sent directly to the applicant within one business day.
- ★ Applicant completes the application and returns it to the CCSPC with all the required documentation.
- ★ CCSPC reviews the application and notifies the applicant via email within 30 days regarding the status of the application.
- ★ Once approved, the family is notified of the scholarship start date and receives information regarding the monthly award and family responsibilities.
- ★ The provider will also receive an email from WDI with the start date of the scholarship, information regarding scholarship monthly award amounts and the process for invoicing WDI each month.
- ★ The applicant is responsible for paying the provider the amount not covered by the scholarship.
- ★ Families who receive the scholarship must recertify annually if funds are available.

ELIGIBLE INCOME GUIDELINES

Family Size*	Minimum Income**	Maximum Income
2	\$73,869	\$84,600
3	\$91,250	\$106,600
4	\$108,631	\$128,600
5	\$126,012	\$150,600
6	\$143,393	\$172,600

**Family Size indicates the number of children under the age of 19 and parents living in the household.*

***If your income is below the scholarship's minimum, you may still be eligible for assistance through your local county social services. Visit our website for more information.*

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Residency:** Applicants must reside in New York state, excluding the five boroughs of New York City.
- Age:** Children must be five years of age or younger.
- Work:** Each parent living in the household must work or be enrolled in an educational or training program for a minimum of 10 hours per week.
- Income:** Applicants' household income must fall within the eligible income guidelines.

INCOME GUIDELINES

Effective June 1, 2025 – May 31, 2026