

EARLY ENTRY FOR CHILDREN WITH ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE OR DIALECT (EALD)

Early Entry EALD placements in ACT Public Schools are for children who are non-English speaking. This procedure enables children access to a maximum of 6 hours of preschool education per week for up to 6 months in the year before preschool. Placements are offered from the beginning of Term Three if preschool places are available.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for consideration under this procedure the child:

- must be non-English speaking;
- must live in a non-English speaking home;
- does not have opportunities to socialise with English speaking children of their own age; and
- must turn three years of age by 30 April to commence preschool.

Please note that early entry is not available to dependents of temporary residents.

INFORMATION

Early Entry EALD placements will be made in consultation with the Principal. Placements will be a maximum of six hours per week, with a daily maximum session time of three hours. Children must be accompanied by a parent or adult carer who speaks the home language of the child. Specific days and times of attendance will be negotiated with the school.

Families applying for an Early Entry EALD placement must also apply for preschool the following year, as a separate process. Early Entry placement is not a guarantee of a preschool placement the following year at a preschool unit that is not in the family's Priority Enrolment Area (PEA).

http://www.det.act.gov.au/school_education/enrolling_in_an_act_public_school

PROCEDURES FOR PARENTS

Early Entry Applications must include:

- Proof of age of the child (e.g. copy of birth certificate or passport)
- Proof of residency in the ACT (e.g. utility bill)

If interpreter assistance is required, the school should be informed. Parents may also engage their own advocate or interpreter when contacting the school.

Applications should be lodged through the online enrolment system. Placements are offered from the beginning of Term Three in the school year. A maximum of two Early Entry EALD placements can be provided per preschool group.

Applications for Early Entry EALD may not be processed after Week 7, Term 3.

If English is not your first language and you require the translating and interpreting service - please telephone **131 450**

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CHINESE	如果英语不是你的第一语言，你需要翻译和口译服务-请致电131 450
CROATIAN	Ako engleski nije prvi jezik i da zahtijevaju prevoditelja i tumača - molimo nazovite 131 450.
GREEK	Αν τα Αγγλικά δεν είναι η πρώτη γλώσσα σας και θα απαιτούν την μετάφραση και διερμηνεία των υπηρεσιών - παρακαλείστε να τηλεφωνήσετε στο 131 450
ITALIAN	Se l'inglese non è la vostra prima lingua e si richiede la traduzione e interpretariato - si prega di telefonare al numero 131 450
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TURKISH	İngilizce ilk diliniz değilse ve çeviri ve tercümanlık hizmeti gerektirir - 131 450 numaralı telefondan lütfen
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