

Reiwa 8 (2026) School Year Hoikuen • Nintei Kodomo-en Admissions Guide (Digest Version)

1. About Hoikuen•Nintei Kodomo-en•Youchien

	Facility Characteristics
<i>Hoikuen</i> (Preschool)	Facilities that provide childcare services for guardians who are unable to do so at home, and strive to promote children's physical and mental development
<i>Nintei Kodomo-en</i> (Certified Child Education Center)	Facilities that combine the characteristics of preschools and kindergartens while also providing regional support for parents of young children
<i>Youchien</i> (Kindergarten)	Schools that provide early childhood education to build a foundation for elementary school and beyond

	Reason for needing childcare required?	Ages	Authorization Type	How to Apply
Hoikuen	<u>Required</u>	0-5 years old	Ages 3+: Type 2 Authorization 3 and under: Type 3 Authorization	<u>Submit necessary documents during designated submission period</u>
Nintei Kodomo-en	Childcare section	0-5 years old	Ages 3+: Type 2 Authorization 3 and under: Type 3 Authorization	<u>Please directly contact the facility you'd like your child to attend</u>
	Education section	3-5 years old	Type 1 Authorization	
Youchien	Not required	3-5 years old	Some Youchien will require Type 1 Authorization	

※If your child is enrolled in Nintei Kodomo-en, etc., with Type 1 authorization, but you would like to receive Type 2 authorization, you will need to reapply and pass a selection process.

2. Touring Childcare Facilities

Each facility has its own educational policies, age of children accepted and hours of operation, actual fees collected, extended time fees, etc. Please apply to your preferred facilities only after you have visited and gained a better understanding of them.

If you would like to visit a facility, please contact the facility directly and arrange a visit in advance. If possible, please also bring the child you would like to have attend with you on your visit.

Once you have visited a facility and received an explanation around the time of your 2026 school year application, please write the date you visited and received an explanation of the facility in your 「Application for Use of Childcare Facilities CHECKLIST」.

If you receive an explanation from All of the facilities you plan to apply to for the 2026 school year, you will receive additional points for the application selection process.

Points are also awarded for applying with your 1st choice being a childcare facility located within the same region as your elementary school district.

3. Class Age/Graduation

Class Age	Date of Birth (Range)	Graduation
5 years old class	Between April 2, 2020 and April 1, 2021	March 31, 2027
4 years old class	Between April 2, 2021 and April 1, 2022	March 31, 2028
3 years old class	Between April 2, 2022 and April 1, 2023	March 31, 2029
2 years old class	Between April 2, 2023 and April 1, 2024	March 31, 2030
1 year old class	Between April 2, 2024 and April 1, 2025	March 31, 2031
0 years old class	On or after April 2, 2025	March 31, 2032

4. Documents to be Submitted

The documents you need to submit will depend on your specific need for childcare. You can download documents from the Toyohashi City Nursery Division website, or receive them at the Nursery Division or any childcare facility (run by the city). Please contact the Nursery Division if you have any questions or concerns. Your application will be reviewed based on documents submitted by the application deadline. Please note that missing documents may negatively impact the score you receive that determines your need for childcare.



[Toyohashi City Nursery Division Website]

5. Application Method/Period

〈Application Method〉

Please submit necessary documents to your preferred (1st choice) childcare facility Or the Nursery Division (weekdays only) within the application period.

※Please be sure to only submit your application once (don't submit an application to a childcare facility And the Nursery Division)

※Please arrange your visit in advance if you plan to submit documents to your 1st choice childcare facility on a weekend.

〈Important Information Regarding the Application Process〉

If you apply for a child already enrolled in hoikuen or the childcare section of a Nintei Kodomo-en to transfer to another facility, **the child will be unenrolled from their current facility at the end of the month before the month you applied for new admission/transfer.** This is regardless of the result of your application.

☆Your child must reside in Toyohashi on the 1st of the month you applied for admission in order to be enrolled in the facility

We will need to verify the applicant's (guardian, etc.) identity when receiving applications. Please prepare the following IDs:

(If ①, only 1 ID is required. For ②, you must present 2 forms of ID)

- ① Picture ID...My Number card, driver's license, Zairyuu card, passport, physical disability certificate, etc.
- ② Identifying document (no picture)...pension handbook, Koseki/Juuminhyou, Gensen Choushuhyou, tax/utilities receipt, etc.

	Reiwa 8 (2026) April 1 Admission		Admission after the school year has begun
	First Application Period	Second Application Period	
Application Period	September 1 (Mon) - September 8 (Mon), 2025	January 5 (Mon) - January 9 (Fri), 2026	Please confirm on Toyohashi City Nursery Division website
Tentative Decision Notice	~December 2025	~the end of February 2026	-
Final Confirmation Notice	~March 2026	~March 2026	The middle of the month before the month your child will be enrolled

6. Withdrawing Your Application

If you would like to withdraw your application for hoikuen, etc., you must complete and submit a withdrawal notification form (教育・保育給付認定申請/保育施設等利用申込取下げ届出書) at the Toyohashi City Nursery Division. If you have already received a tentative decision notice, please contact the facility as soon as possible. If you withdraw your application at your own convenience after receiving your tentative decision notice (内定通知), there will be a penalty with points deducted from your next application. Please think about and discuss with your family your intent to send your child to hoikuen, etc., before submitting your application.

7. Other Important Information

If, after enrollment, there are changes to the circumstances that were recognized to authorize your childcare (you stop working, or your working hours change, etc.), please contact your child's childcare facility and the Nursery Division as soon as possible. You will be informed of necessary paperwork, etc.

※Please understand that if your child does not attend at least once during a given month (because they returned to their home country, etc.), they will be unenrolled from the childcare facility.