

# Central Registration & Enrolment Scheme – Priority of Access

In line with the Victorian Department of Education's Kindergarten Funding Guidelines, Wyndham City applies a Priority of Access criteria to all eligible registrations received. This Priority of Access framework requires that preference is given to registrations for children eligible for the **Department of Education's criteria**, followed by those eligible for Wyndham City's **local criteria**.

## Victorian Department of Education Criteria

The below criteria have been developed by the Victorian Department of Education and is required to be applied to all eligible registrations. Further information and definitions can be found [here](#).

Criteria – Tier 1	Application of Criteria	
	2026	2027 & Beyond
Children eligible for and/or attending Early Start Kindergarten	•	•
Children in Out-of-Home Care	•	•
Families known to or referred by Child Protection or similar agency/practitioner	•	•
Families experiencing family violence		•
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander children	•	•
Asylum seeker and refugee families – with applicable visas	•	•
Asylum seeker and refugee families – with lived experience		•
Children or families holding applicable subsidy cards	•	•
Children from multiple births (triplets or quadruplets)	•	•
Children with additional needs – with approved Kindergarten Inclusion Support program	•	•
Children with additional needs – referred by or connected to National Disability Service Scheme (NDIS)	•	•
Children with additional needs – referred by or connected to Early Childhood Intervention Service	•	•
Children with additional needs – referred by Preschool Field Officer or Maternal & Child Health Nurse	•	•
Children doing an approved additional year of kindergarten	•	•
Children with additional needs – is diagnosed with a disability or developmental delay or is undergoing diagnosis		•
Children with additional needs – presents with developmental concerns		•
Children with additional needs – with complex medical needs		•
Caregivers with additional needs – connected to NDIS or with complex medical needs		•

Criteria – Tier 2	Application of Criteria	
	2026	2027 & Beyond
Children currently attending the service		•

### Wyndham City Local Criteria

The below criteria have been developed by Wyndham City and is applied to all eligible registrations to support children to access kindergarten across the municipality.

Criteria	Application of Criteria	
	2026	2027 & Beyond
Children with a sibling(s) who is/has attended their first preference kindergarten service.	•	
Children with a sibling(s) who is/has attended their first preference kindergarten service within the previous 3 years.		•
Children who reside in the same suburb as their first preference kindergarten service.	•	
Children whose first preference is the closest to their home in a straight line.		•
Children and families with a connection to Wyndham, including residence (or future residence), work, study, or childcare.	•	•
Children and families with a connection to Wyndham, including residence, work, study, or childcare.	•	•
Children with a sibling(s) who is registering for the same year of kindergarten with the same first preference kindergarten service.		•

### Important Information:

- Families may be required to provide appropriate proof to be allocated points as per the criteria.
- Registered places are allocated in order from highest points to lowest points, according to the availability of a family's preferences.
- Where two or more children have the same points value, the Central Registration System will allocate randomly.
- Places are not allocated based on the time of submission. All registrations received by the cutoff date will be considered during an allocation.
- In the best interest of all children and families, Wyndham City reserves the right to consider factors such as group size, group dynamics, and other special considerations when allocating registered places to families. Kindergarten services may contact families to discuss.