

Applying the Blended Rate

Preschool Children:

Preschool age children attending a part-day program such as Early Head Start, Head Start, NC Pre-K, Title I, special education class rooms in the public school receiving before, after, or before and after care also needing care at the 100% level in summer and on teacher work day, holidays, and emergency closings (including inclement weather days) will be paid at the blended rate for their age group for the entire year.

Preschool age children attending a part-day program such as Early Head Start, Head Start, NC Pre-K, Title I, special education class rooms in the public school receiving before, after, or before and after care also needing care at less than 100%, in summer and on teacher work day, holidays, and emergency closings (including inclement weather days) will be paid at the level of care needed for each time period covered. Children in this circumstance will not be paid at the blended rate.

Note: Facilities in counties having Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership grants, enrolled children will be paid at the 100% rate for the Early Head Start portion of the day. This payment will include care provided before, after, and before & after Early Head Start hours.

School age children:

School age children who need before, after, or before and after school care and full time summer care will receive the blended rate for the entire year.

School age children who need before, after, or before and after school care and less than 100% care in the summer months will be paid at 75% for the entire year.

Children who need before, after, or before & after school care only during the school year and **do not** need care on teacher work days, holidays, and emergency closures are paid at the 75% rate. Children who need before, after, or before & after school care only during the school year and **do** need care on teacher work days, holidays, and emergency closings are also paid at the 75% rate.

Children who need care only on teacher work days, holidays, and emergency closings are paid a daily rate based upon their level of care.

Children who need care in the summer and on teacher work days, holidays, and emergency closings receive payment based upon the plan of care for the summer and the daily rate based on the level of care during the school year.

Payment for children who need care only in the summer is based on the level of care approved for the children.

Payments for children approved for levels of care exceeding 100% are paid based on the level of care. The blended rate does not apply.

Programs Operating Only In the Summer:

Programs operating only in the summer receive payment based the level of care approved for the children.

Certified Developmental Day Centers:

Certified Developmental Day Centers operating 12 months a year are subject to the blended rate policies. Certified Developmental Day Centers operating only during the school year receive payment based upon the children's level of care.