

EARLY LEARNING AND CHILD CARE CIRCULAR

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To: All funded child care centres, nursery schools and family/group child care homes

Subject: Increase to Base Operating Grant Rates for Funded Facilities

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This circular is to advise all funded early learning and child care (ELCC) facilities, including non-profit centres and nursery schools, as well as family/group child care homes about an increase to the base operating grant funding rates.

As announced on August 1, 2023, the Manitoba government is providing \$2.9 million to increase the base operating grant by two percent in 2023/2024 for all provincially funded infant, preschool, school age and nursery school spaces. Of this, \$2.3 million comes from provincial funds and an additional \$604,000 is being provided under the Canada-Manitoba Canada-Wide ELCC Agreement to extend this operating grant increase to newly created spaces for children under the age of seven.

For more information about the new action plan and other new initiatives announced today, please visit: [Canada, Manitoba Governments Launch Three-Year Action Plans to Affirm Child Care Priorities – New Initiatives, Operating Grant Funding to Strengthen Access to Quality Child Care across Province.](#)

For detailed information on this two per cent operating grant increase, please refer to [ELCC-2023-11 - FAQs - Increase to Base Operating Grant Rates.](#)

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to supporting the early learning and child care needs of Manitoba families and children.

Early Learning and Child Care Division