



# Ginowan City Newsletter

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## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Ginowan City Office's English interpreter will be away on holiday between 9/9 (Fri) and 9/30 (Fri).

There will be no English support at the city office during this period and the September issue of the English newsletter will not be published.

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## Subsidy for Preschool Education

### For unlicensed nurseries and kindergarten afterschool daycare service

A subsidy for preschool education is available for children using unlicensed nurseries, kindergarten afterschool daycare service, temporary childcare programs, childcare programs for sick children, the Family Support Centre, and babysitters. If approved, you can claim back the cost for tuition and fees. Approval usually begins on the day that you submit your application. If you haven't already, please make an application as soon as possible. Those whose approval is set to expire will need to renew their application.

\*As a general rule, children attending kindergarten or certified centres for early childhood education (Category I) who are also using other facilities will not be eligible to get coverage for the use of such facilities.

#### [Eligibility Criteria]

##### 1. Category II (children over 3 Y.O. as of April 1, 2022)

- Parents must have a valid reason for needing childcare services (such as being employed for over 64 hours a month, is pregnant or have just given birth, or has a disability or illness, etc.)

##### 2. Category III (children under 2 Y.O. as of April 1, 2022)

- In addition to the condition stated above, the parents (or legal guardian) are exempt from paying residence tax

\*Approvals prior to August 2022 will be granted based on the applicant's residence tax status from FY2021, while approvals in September 2022 onward will be granted based on residence tax status from FY2022. As a result, those who had not been previously eligible may become eligible, while those who had been eligible may become ineligible to receive coverage.

#### Tuition Coverage for Single Parent Families Using Unlicensed Nurseries

Single parent families that were unable to enroll their child in a public nursery due to a lack of openings and whose child is currently attending a private (non-registered) nursery are eligible to get tuition coverage.

#### [Eligibility]

- ① Must have a registered address in Ginowan City
- ② Is a recipient of the Childrearing Allowance for Single Parent Families or the Single Parent Medical Expense Coverage
- ③ Have applied for a public nursery but is currently being waitlisted\*
- ④ The non-licensed nursery that the child is attending has submitted a notification of business to the prefecture

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### [Amount Covered]

The difference between the tuition for the unlicensed nursery and a public nursery will be covered. **The maximum tuition amount that can be covered is 33,000 yen.**

For example:

Tuition for unlicensed nursery	-	Equivalent tuition for a licensed/public nursery**	=	37,500 yen	→	Will be given the maximum coverage amount of 33,000 yen
45,000 yen		7,500 yen				

### [Lunch fees]

The total monthly cost for school lunches or the maximum coverage amount of 5,000 yen, whichever is lower, will be covered.\*\*\*

### [Notes]

\*Families who were offered a spot in a public daycare but who turned down the offer will have their eligibility revoked at the end of the month on which the offer was made.

\*\*The equivalent tuition fee for a licensed/public nursery differs depending on household income level.

\*\*\*Households who are receiving the Subsidy for Preschool Education are only eligible to receive coverage for school meals under this scheme.

## GINOWAN POPULATION AS OF JULY

Total population	100,258 (+62)
Foreign nationals	1,602 (+28)
Nationalities	50 (±0)
Total households	46,690 (+40)

## Special Cash Handout for Low-Income Families with Children

### Excluding low-income single parent families\*

A special cash handout of 50,000 yen per child is available to low-income families with children. Families that are not required to submit an application have been notified by mail in late July.

### ■ Do I need to make an application?

You must submit an application if you have children who are under 18 years of age (or 20 years of age for children with disability) as of March 31, 2022 and meet any one of the following:

- ① Belong to a household that is not taxed a per capita levy for resident tax (\*those who have not done so must file their taxes)
- ② Belong to a household that was affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and experienced changes in household finances who are recognized to have the same circumstances as those exempt from resident tax on a per capita levy rate

### ■ How much is the handout and when is the application deadline?


The handout is 50,000 yen per eligible child. The application deadline is February 28, 2023. You will lose your eligibility to receive the handout if your application is late. Please note that households that have already received a handout for single parent families will not be eligible to receive this handout.


### ■ When will the payment be paid out?

Around the end of the month following the month of application (ex. applied in August → payment should be disbursed at the end of September)

For details, please contact the Children and Families Division at 098-893-4422.

## OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

-  Category I insured persons under the National Pension System are eligible to receive exemption for a certain period before and after childbirth. For more information, please visit the Pension Division at the city office.  
\*Childbirth is defined as a pregnancy that lasts over 85 days and includes stillbirths, premature births, miscarriage, and abortions.

-  MR11 (measles and rubella) vaccine for children born between April 2, 2016 and April 1, 2017 (fully subsidized)  
DT (Tetanus-Diphtheria) vaccine for children between 11 and 13 years of age (fully subsidized)  
For more information, please contact the Health Promotion Division at 098-898-5596.