

12. Child Care

In Japan there are child care facilities that take care of children for parents who are unable to take care of their children at home. Each facility has a limit on the number of children accepted. Please contact the relevant department for more information.



(1) Kindergarten (*Youchien*)

Kindergartens offer preschool education for preschoolers.

[Age] Toddlers aged between 3 and 5 years who live in each school district

[School hours] 9:00~14:00 (Closed on: Sat/Sun/National holidays/Summer holiday/Winter holiday/Spring holiday)

※There may be difference between each kindergarten.

[Childcare Fee] Free, only lunch cost

Name of Kindergarten	Address	Phone
Nagahama Youchien	Asahi-cho 5-14	62-0089
Nagahama Kita Youchien	Mitsuya Motomachi 19-24	62-0861
Nagahama Nishi Youchien	Sumai-cho 604-6	62-3000
Wakaba Youchien	Yawata Higashi-cho 520-1	62-3495
Kamiteru Youchien	Shinjouteru 480	63-0584
Nangouri Youchien	Niisaka-cho 626	63-3723
Kitagouri Youchien	Haruchika-cho 196-1	62-1498
Kohoku Youchien	Kohoku-cho Hayami 909-2	78-2003

(2) Kindergarten childcare (*Youchien azukarihoiku*)

This program is aimed at enrolled children who need to be cared for at the kindergarten before or after the kindergarten's regular hours (9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.) or during long holidays due to their parents' work circumstances, etc.

	Day of week	Hours
Kindergarten opening day	Monday ~Friday	8:30am-9:00am, 2:00pm-4:15pm *Depending on the parents' work schedule, children may be allowed to use the facility until 5:15pm (8:00am-5:45pm for Nangori Kindergarten).

Long-term vacation period	Monday ～Friday	8:30am - 4:15pm *Depending on the parent's work schedule, children may be allowed to use the facility until 5:15pm (Nangori Kindergarten is open from 8am to 5:45pm).
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[Usage fee] 400 yen per day

However, if both parents are certified as needing childcare, the usage fee will be waived.

*Even if the fee itself is free, you may be charged various expenses that involve actual expenses.

In addition, even if the need for childcare is certified after it is found not to be the case, the fee will not be free and will be collected retroactively.

(3) Nursery schools (*Hoikusho*)

If a parent is unable to care for their child adequately at home due to work, illness, or other reasons, we will provide childcare on their behalf.



[Age] Preschoolers between 0 years and 5 years old

※Hiyoko Nyuji Hoikuen and Nagahama Baika Nyuji Hoikuen accept only infants aged under 2)

※The starting age for newborns varies by nursery school.

[Nursery hours] Public schools : 7:15~18:15 in principle

Private schools: Varies by school

[Childcare Fee] Age 3-5: Free, only lunch cost

Age 0-2: It is determined based on the amount of residence tax levied on the parents

(However, tax exempt households are free.)

Category	Name of school	Address	Phone number
Public	Kita Hoikuen	Kamiteru-cho 596	62-7038
	Sakuranbo Hoikuen	Nishi Kozaka-cho 1158	63-2755
	Ichibaku Hoikuen	Kohoku-cho Yamamoto 3089	79-1134
Private	Nagahama Baika Nyuuji Hoikuen	Mitsuya Motomachi 24-3	68-3088
	Hoikuen Momo no Ie	Ooinui-cho 1260	64-3500
	Child House	Tamura-cho 1606	64-4822
	Hiyoko Nyuuji Hoikuen	Kobori-cho 66-1	63-8892
	Shirayama Hoikuen	Kanou-cho 990	63-9880

(4) Certified Children Center (*Nintei Kodomoen*)

It combines the functions of a kindergarten and a nursery school.

The kindergarten portion is called the short-term section, and the nursery school portion is called the long-term section.

◆ Short-term section -*Tanji-bu*

[Age] Public: Infants aged between 3 and 5 living in each school district

Private: Infants aged between 3 and 5

[School hours] Public: 9:00~14:00

Private: Varies by school

(Closed on: Sat/Sun/National holidays/Summer holiday/Winter holiday/Spring holiday)

[Childcare Fee] Free, only lunch cost

◆ Long-term section -*Chouji-bu*

[Age] Infants aged between 0 and 5.

[School hours] Public: 7:15–18:15 (in principle)

Private: Varies by school

[Fee] Age 3-5: Free, only lunch cost

Age 0-2: It is determined based on the amount of residence tax levied on the parents

However, tax exempt households are free.

Category	Name of Certified Children Center - <i>Nintei Kodomoen</i>	Address	Phone number
Public	Rokusho Nintei Kodomoen	Katsu-cho 491	62-7036
	Azai Nintei Kodomoen	Oyori-cho 1232	74-8488
	Biwa Nintei Kodomoen	Yagihama-cho 26-1	72-2150
	Torahime Nintei Kodomoen	Gomura 371-1	73-8081
	Takatsuki Nintei Kodomoen	Takatsuki-cho Higashi Yanagino 15-1	85-8600
	Kinomoto Nintei Kodomoen	Kinomoto-cho Kinomoto 698-2	82-8600
	Yogo Nintei Kodomoen	Yogo-cho Higashino 363	86-2345
	Nishiazai Nintei Kodomoen	Nishiazai-cho Shiotsunaka 2066	88-8111
	Nagahama Minami Nintei Kodomoen*	Kanda-cho 2727	63-1913
Private	Nagahama Kodomoen Baika Hoikuen	Mitsuya Motomachi 17-25	63-7872
	Nagahama Aijien	Yawata Higashi-cho 562	63-4650
	Katoric Nagahama Kodomoen	Minami Takada 47	62-1499
	Raymond Nagahama Minami Kodomoen	Takahashi-cho 84	53-3450
	Nagahama Gakusha	Shijounaka-cho 207	62-2008
	Raymond Nagahama Kodomoen	Minami Koashi-cho 324-3	68-2480
	Odani Kodomoen	Odani Youno-cho 2481-1	78-2006
	Hayami Hoikuen	Kohoku-cho Hayami 2277	78-0075

* Nagahama Minami Certified Children's Garden is for infants from 3 to 5 years old.

(5) Temporary child care service

When parents become suddenly ill, must attend a funeral or other ceremony, or are too tired to take care of their children, etc. we take care of children for a short period of time on behalf of parents.

[Age] Public: Preschooler aged between 6 months to 5 years old

Private: Please contact the facility.

[School hours] Public: facilities are open 8:30am - 4:30pm

(Closed on Sun/National holidays/Year-end and new-year holidays)

Private: Please contact the facility.

[Application] Please apply to the following facilities directly.



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Category	Name of Hoikusho and Nintei Kodomoen	Address	Phone number
Public	Rokusho Nintei Kodomoen	Katsu-cho 491	62-7036
	Biwa Nintei Kodomoen	Yagihama-cho 26-1	72-2150
	Nishiazai Nintei Kodomoen	Nishiazai-cho Shiotsunaka 2066	88-8111
Private	Raymond Nagahama Hoikuen	Minami Koashi-cho 324-3	68-2480
	Odani Kodomoen	Odani Yuno-cho 2481-1	78-2006

(6) "Papa & Mama · Refresh" -Temporary child care project

This project is those who are raising children can entrust their children temporarily, so that the parents will be able to relax and refresh themselves.

【Place of implementation】 Sunsun Land · Aiai Land · Kids Park Nagahama (private)

[Eligible people] Nagahama residents (Child aged 6 months or more to less than 4 years not attending a nursery school)

【Implementation dates】 Every week Monday through Friday, from 9 am - 4 pm

1 time maximum 4 hours / 4 times a month available

(※ Sunsun Land is not held on Monday because it's a closed day.)

(※ Kids Park Nagahama is open until 2pm)

【Fee】 250 yen per hour

【How to use】 Pre-registration by interview is required. Please make an application at the counter or by phone.

It is also possible to make a reservation using the child care support app "Nagamaru Kids!"

Section	Place	Address	Phone
Public	Sunsun Land	Jifukuji-cho 4-36	6 2 - 3 7 3 8
	Aiai Land	Takatsuki-cho Duganji 160	8 5 - 3 1 2 3
Private	Kids Park Nagahama	Yawata-nakayama-cho 477	6 3 - 1 8 9 4

(7) Clubs for afterschool activities for children – *Houkago Jidou Club*

This service is aimed at elementary school or early compulsory education school children whose parents are not at home during the day due to work, etc. It takes care of children after school or during long elementary school holidays, and provides them with an appropriate place to play and live. Applications for the following year's daycare center are accepted every year around October. (Details will be notified through city newsletter-Kouhou Nagahama or the official website.)

(8) Child Allowance -*Jidou Teate*

Helping to keep a stable life and support health growth of children, Child Allowance is subsidized to household with children.

Eligibility		Amount of Payment (monthly)		Payment Time
Households with child who has not completed the third year of junior high school (Until the first March 31st after becoming 15 years old)	Those who do not exceed the income limit	Children aged under 3	15,000 yen	June, October and February ※ Paid all together up to the previous month
		3 years old ~ Child below school age	1 st and 2 nd child: 10,000yen After 3 rd child: 15,000yen	
		Junior high school student - <i>Chugakusei</i>	10,000yen	
	Those who exceed the income limit and do not exceed the income upper limit	Regardless of age and number of children	5,000yen	

※If your income exceeds the upper limit, you will not be paid the allowance.

※Application is necessary to receive allowance. Payment will start from the month following the application month.

For more information on Jidou Teate(Child allowance), please see “Guidebook on Living and Working” (English version), Chapter 4 Childbirth and Parenting, 3-4 Child allowance (page 54)

https://www.moj.go.jp/isa/support/portal/guidebook_index.html

(9) Regional Child Care Support Center-*Kosodate Shien Center*

We hold events such as a place where pre-elementary school entering children (ages 0-6) and their parents can experience the joys of raising children, and we also support parenting circles (for making friends). We also provide information and consultations on child-rearing on an ongoing basis.child-raising (*Nakama Zukuri*). In addition, consultation and information concerning the child-raising are provided.

区分	Facility name	Address	Phone
Public	Sunsun Land	Jifukuji-cho 4-36	6 2 - 3 7 1 2
	Kodomo Land	Oyori-cho 1454	7 4 - 4 5 6 7
	Nobinobi Land	Yagihama-cho 26-1 (Inside the Biwa Nintel school)	7 2 - 8 1 7 7
	Aiai Land	Takatsuki-cho Doganji 160 (Takatsuki Branch Office, 4th floor)	8 5 - 5 5 7 7
Private	Child House	Tamura-cho 1606-3	080-2542-3143
	Nikoniko Hiroba	Odani Yono-cho 723-1	7 8 - 0 9 3 5
	Kosodate Hiroba Skip	Katsu-cho 490	6 2 - 1 2 1 2
	Machi no Hokenshitsu Kizuna	Hirakata-cho 321-3	6 8 - 3 2 1 5
	Nonbiri Pyokko	Imagawa-cho 43-18	5 9 - 3 5 4 2

(10) Family Support Center

Those who want to have support for child care and those who want to support child care can be registered at the Center so that the members can support each other.

【Application】 12-34 Takatamachi (Sazanami Town, Nagahama Cultural Welfare Plaza 3rd floor, Nagahama City Council of Social Welfare) Phone: 57-6101

(11) Children and Family Center

This is a general consultation counter for expectant and nursing mothers, households raising children, and children. cooperating with other specialized organizations, we will respond to various concerns from the pregnancy preparation period to childbirth and child-rearing. We will listen carefully to what you have to say and support you so that you can raise your child with peace of mind.

[Consultation counter] 1st floor of Nagahama City Hall (Children and Families Support Division)

TEL 65-6535

[Reception hours] 8:30 am to 5:15 pm (Monday to Friday)

(12) Counseling service on family and children

People can feel free to consult about children and families such as child abuse and DV. (Contents of consultation must be kept strictly confidential)

[Consultation] Nagahama City hall counseling office for family and children

-Nagahama Shiyakusho Katei Jidou Soudanshitsu

(Children and family Division, 1st floor, Nagahama city hall) TEL: 65-6544

[Open] 8:30~17:15 (Monday to Friday)

*Reports regarding child abuse outside reception hours, on Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays, and during the New Year holidays

- City Hall main line (62-4111)
- Shiga Prefecture Child and Family Consultation Center Abuse Hotline (077-562-8996)
- Child consultation center nationwide 3-digit number (189)

(13) Child care support application "Nagamaru kids!"

It is a smartphone application delivering convenient and fun parenting information to those who are raising children in Nagahama.

Please use all means.

【App menu】

- Event Calendar
- Child care support information
- Facility MAP
- Medical Examinations, Vaccination Schedule
- Dad & Mom refreshment childcare reservation
- Child care supporter
- Everyone's bulletin board

【Notification of information】

Parenting information arrives directly in push notification format.

- Information such as child care related events or administrative service
- Advance notice of medical checkup for infants according to the age (monthly age) of your child and the area in which you live

【Installation method】

You can install the app by either ① or ② below.

- ① Search for "Nagamaru kids" in the app store.
- ② Scan QR code



iOS(iPhone 用)



Android 用

