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Resources for students who are parents



For help finding childcare:

Northwestern student who are parents can speak to a parent resource specialist who can help you locate a childcare provider that meets your family's needs. There is no charge to talk with the parent resource specialist, who is available through the University's agreement with [Action for Children](#).

Contact a [parent resource specialist](#) at 773-356-8135

[Childcare Centers:](#)

These centers offer **priority enrollment** for University students, faculty, and staff:

[Bright Horizons at Evanston](#)- Just two blocks south of the Evanston campus. For children ages 6 weeks to 6 years. Full and part time care offered. [Fee assistance is available for eligible students.](#)

[McGaw YMCA Children's Center](#) (Evanston) – Less than a mile from campus. For children ages 6 weeks to 6 years. Full and part day care offered. [Fee assistance is available for eligible students.](#)

[Baby & Toddler](#) (Evanston) – Just over two miles from campus. For children ages 6 weeks to 3 years..

[Harkness House](#) (Winnetka) – Ten minute drive north of campus. For children ages 6 weeks to 6 years..

[University Children's Center](#) (Chicago) – A few blocks south of the Chicago campus. For children ages 6 weeks to 6 years. [Fee assistance available for eligible students.](#) Full and part time care offered.



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Public Schools:

Evanston

- [District 65 – Grades K-8](#)
- [District 65 School Age Childcare](#)
- [District 202 – High School](#)

Chicago

- [Chicago Public Schools K-12](#)

Family Leave Information

[Childbirth Accommodation](#) for students in The Graduate School (TGS)

Additional [Leave of absence information](#) for those affiliated with TGS

Other students should reach out directly to Undergraduate Student Affairs (undergraduate students) or to their School Student Affairs Office (other graduate/professional students).

Childcare and Support Resources

[Family Care Connections](#): A group of in-home care providers in Evanston

In-home family care in other locations can be provided by a [parent resource specialist](#) at 773-356-8135

[Complimentary Sittercity Membership](#) – free access to local sitters/nannies

[Northwestern University Nannyshare Program](#) – a program to assist Northwestern parents in networking to find a family to share a nanny/sitter

[New Mom Support Group](#) – a support group run by the Women’s Center

[Mothers’ Rooms](#)

[TGS Day Out](#) - learn about events sponsored by TGS for students, postdoctoral fellows and their families

Northwestern University Office of Work/Life Resources does not endorse or recommend any particular school or childcare center, and encourages all parents to carefully evaluate any provider they are considering to care for their child.

Need assistance or other resources? Call the Office of Work/Life Resources or schedule an appointment with the Family Resource Center at 847-491-3612