

CAPS Family Fee

CAPS assesses family fees to allow families to share in the cost of their child care expenses. Each family is responsible for paying a fee on a weekly basis directly to the child care provider. The assessed fee is based on family size and income. The fee is for all children in care within a family, not for each individual child.

Effective May 17, 2021, DECAL began our new Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS) initiative, Awarding Child Care Education Scholarship Supplements (ACCESS). This initiative is funded by supplemental monies made available to Georgia through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA). ACCESS is intended to mitigate the financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on Georgia's child care industry and to help eligible Georgia families (also negatively impacted by the pandemic) pay for child care. The purpose of ACCESS is to temporarily support CAPS families by paying 100% of their child care tuition costs. Through ACCESS, DECAL will pay the provider their full published rate for the type of care provided, including the family fee. This means that our CAPS families will not pay their child care provider any tuition related fees or co-payments for child care. ACCESS initiative payments supplement the published CAPS reimbursement rates.

Family unit size	Annual income				
1	\$0 to \$1,359	\$1,360 to \$6,795	\$6,796 to \$13,590	\$13,591 or more	
2	\$0 to \$1,831	\$1,832 to \$9,155	\$9,156 to \$18,310	\$18,311 or more	
3	\$0 to \$2,303	\$2,304 to \$11,515	\$11,516 to \$23,030	\$23,031 or more	
4	\$0 to \$2,775	\$2,776 to \$13,875	\$13,876 to \$27,750	\$27,751 or more	
5	\$0 to \$3,247	\$3,248 to \$16,235	\$16,236 to \$32,470	\$32,471 or more	
6	\$0 to \$3,719	\$3,720 to \$18,595	\$18,596 to \$37,190	\$37,191 or more	
7	\$0 to \$4,191	\$4,192 to \$20,955	\$20,956 to \$41,910	\$41,911 or more	
8	\$0 to \$4,663	\$4,664 to \$23,315	\$23,316 to \$46,630	\$46,631 or more	
9	\$0 to \$5,135	\$5,136 to \$25,675	\$25,676 to \$51,350	\$51,351 or more	
10	\$0 to \$5,607	\$5,608 to \$28,035	\$28,036 to \$56,070	\$56,071 or more	
11	\$0 to \$6,079	\$6,080 to \$30,395	\$30,396 to \$60,790	\$60,791 or more	
12	\$0 to \$6,551	\$6,552 to \$32,755	\$32,756 to \$65,510	\$65,511 or more	
Family fee:	No family fee	3% of income	5% of income	7% of income	

Income ranges are determined as follows:

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Ratio of income to	10% or less	Over 10% to 50%	Over 50% to 100%	Over 100%			
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Based on 2022 poverty guidelines issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Weekly family fee = annual gross applicable income x .03, .05, or .07 (3, 5, or 7%), divided by 52 weeks, rounded down to whole dollar amount.

Resulting family fee will be evenly divided among all children in care.