



Fee Schedule

These fees are for the period: 1st January 2019 – 31st December 2019

Date for review of Fee Schedule: 18th November 2019

Chasing Rainbows Family Day Care Standard Hours are 7:30am to 5:30pm, Monday to Friday, 50 weeks of the year. All other hours are non-standard.

The table below is the range of fees charged for education and care services with Chasing Rainbows Family Day Care Educators. Variances in fees for different Educators is based on qualification, experience, location and environment. Please refer to the Educator Statement of Fees for additional information on fees and hours of operation for your Educator.

Child Enrolment Fee*	\$60
Cost of care (non-school age) Minimums range from 8 – 10 hours	From \$10 p/h - \$20 p/h
Cost of Vacation Care (school age) Minimums range from 8 – 10 hours	From \$10 p/h - \$20 p/h
Cost of Before & After School Care Note: Standard hours for CCS purposes are 2 hours for Before School Care and 3.5 hours for After School Care	From \$10 p/h - \$25 p/h
Casual care Minimums range from 8 – 10 hours	From \$10 ph - \$20 p/h
Early/Late Fees Note: Late Fees are not eligible for CCS	Refer to the Educator Statement of Fees
Security Bond [^]	Two week full fees

* the Enrolment Fee is a one-off fee to cover initial enrolment costs. It will be collected at the same time as the security bond.

** includes a Service Support Levy of \$1.55 per hour per child.

[^] the security bond is required before care starts. The bond will be held by Chasing Rainbows Family Day Care until the end of the child's enrolment. The security bond will be forfeited in full in the event the child does not commence the Booked Hours of Care.

Please note that under the Family Assistance Law the commercial relationship is between the parent requiring care and Chasing Rainbows Family Day Care (Coordination Unit) and ALL fees and care arrangements need to be approved by the Coordination Unit before the start of care.

Security Bond

A Security Bond equal to two weeks full fees will be required prior to the commencement of care for routine booked hours of care. An enrolment is not confirmed until the security bond has been received. This bond is held as confirmation of their enrolment by Chasing Rainbows FDC until the enrolment of the child with Chasing Rainbows FDC ceases. The bond will be forfeited in full in the event that the child does not commence the routine



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booked hours of care. Please note, if any fees for care are failed to be paid on time, this security bond will be used to pay your overdue account. This security bond will need to be replaced by the next fortnight's payment collection in order to confirm your child's continued enrolment. Chasing Rainbows Family Day Care reserves the right to cancel care until overdue accounts are paid.

Variations in routine booked hours of care will require a variation in the two week Security Bond held, ie. the bond held will be amended to reflect the current routine booked hours of care. Amendments will be processed with the next payment fortnight. Four weeks notice is required for variation to routine booked hours and are to be provided to Chasing Rainbows FDC in writing via the *Contract Hours Variation and Casual Care Form*.

Security Bonds will also be amended when re-enrolling your child for the next calendar year. Once the booked hours of care for the next calendar year are agreed to and confirmed, if the hours are greater than the current routine booking, the Security Bond held will be amended to reflect the booked hours for the next calendar year. In re-enrolling your child for the next calendar year and confirming routine booked hours, you are agreeing to forfeit the bond in full in the event that the child does not commence these routine booked hours in the next calendar year.

Absences and Child Care Subsidy (CCS)

Fees are payable for all absences such as holidays, sick days and public holidays.

Each financial year families receive an entitlement of 42 allowable absences per child (not per child care service) from Centrelink. Please note that if you have a child in both FDC and another service (centre-based care or Outside School Hours Care (OSHC)), you will need to monitor absences to ensure that the 42-day limit is not exceeded. Once your limit is exceeded, full fees for absent days are applicable, unless documentation is provided such as a medical certificate.

Note: CCS cannot be paid for absences at the commencement or cessation of care.

Fees and CCS Entitlements

Fees will be charged in accordance with the Booked Hours of Care stated on the child's enrolment form. Should the Booked Hours of Care need to be changed, a *Contract Hours Variation and Casual Care Form* will need to be completed to reflect the new booked hours. At least **four** weeks notice must be given to Chasing Rainbows Family Day Care to change/cancel contracted hours.

Fees will be collected by Chasing Rainbows Family Day Care via ChildCare EasyPay (<http://www.childcareeasypay.com.au>). Fees will be collected every fortnight on a Friday via Direct Debit. Payments collected on Fridays will be for the preceding fortnight's care (e.g. payment for the care that took place between January 1 and January 14 would be collected on January 19). For all families eligible for CCS as a fee reduction, the difference between the full fee and CCS is collected each fortnight. You will be emailed a fortnightly statement with your CCS entitlement information and remaining amount due two days prior to the fortnightly direct debit.

The payment system to collect fees will require direct debit authorisation from either a bank account or credit card. You will be sent an email with instructions on how to complete online. Should you need to change your direct debit details, you can do this online with ChildCare EasyPay.