

Care to Learn Bursary 2026/2027

To be completed by the Student's Childcare Provider Only



Child Full Name (1):	Child Full Name (2):
Date of Birth:	Date of Birth:
Student Name:	Student's Contact Number:
Childcare Provider Name:	Address of Childcare Provider:
Ofsted Registration Number:	Post Code:
Manager Contact No:	Email:

Contract: ☐ Childminder ☐ Single Session ☐ Full Day ☐ Afterschool Club ☐ Tuition/Sport

Sessions Booked	Time	Discount Applied	Cost/Session
Monday		- £	£
Tuesday		- £	£
Wednesday		- £	£
Thursday		- £	£
Friday		- £	£
Total weekly cost of childcare			£

Additional information or special arrangements:

Has the student paid a deposit? If yes, how much £_____ Has the student paid registration fee? If yes, how much £_____ What is your notice period for cancellation:_____Is parent aware of this period?_____

Do you have a signed contract with the parent?_____If yes, please attach copy to this form.

Payments will be made via BACS every month direct to the Childcare Provider only. Please provide your bank account details below so that we can process payments direct to you.

Please read notes on the second page for more information about the childcare bursary.

Childcare Provider Account Name								
Account Number								
Sort Code								

Declaration

- I/We understand that the college will provide a written confirmation on the outcome of the student's application. I/We understand that childcare provision will be paid for the time the student is timetabled to attend college only and that the college is not liable for any excess incurred.
- I/We confirm any government support available for this child/these children has been allocated towards study time.
- I am/We are happy to receive payment in arrears, being monthly instalments over the course of the academic year. I/We will confirm child(ren) attendance when Bedford College for approval. I/We understand that if attendance is not confirmed, childcare payments will be withheld until attendance is confirmed
- I/We understand that I/we must inform the college when the student's child/children cease to use our facilities.
- I/We agree that DofE and its agents may have access to my records for audit and evaluation purposes

Name:_____ **Position:**_____ **Sign:**_____ **Date:**_____

Care to Learn Bursary 2026/27 - Information for Childcare Providers

Care to Learn	The Care to Learn Bursary provides financial support for childcare to help young parent, defined as those under the age of 20 to continue their education after the birth of a child. To be eligible, the parent must be under 20 years old on the date their study programme begins.
Level of Support	The Care to Learn Bursary provided support towards childcare costs up to £180 per week.
Period of Support	Most courses run for 35 weeks. The academic year ends on 25th June 2027. The College may cover summer retainers for childcare providers if it is necessary to hold a childcare place over the summer holiday period. This support is only available to students who are completing one year of study and continuing into the next academic year. The young parent must still meet the standard eligibility criteria. We will only provide childcare funding during timetabled lessons while the student is attending their course, and the child is also attending the childcare, and support is available on a term-time only basis.
Payment	A direct payment to the childcare provider in arrears in the 1st week of each month, starting from 2nd October 2026 . <i>Please note under C2L the college does pay for deposits up to a maximum of £250 per child and retainers if required</i>
Free childcare and education for 2 to 4 year olds	Students who are eligible for other childcare support are expected to use that entitlement before applying for Care to Learn (C2L) funding. However, they may still apply for C2L to cover any additional childcare hours required to complete their study programme, beyond those already funded through other early education entitlements. <i>Students are required to use this allocation towards their study time at the College, we will pay for any additional childcare needed above the government funding. We cannot duplicate any government support available to the student.</i>
Award / Payment Notification	A copy of the students award letter will be sent to the childcare provider. The award letter will show how much the student is getting and when payments will be made.
Contact information	T: 01234 291000 / E:bursaries@bedford.ac.uk