

If your child's pre-school or leisure centre closes due to the spread of infection

Hi!

This information is intended to make you as guardians aware of what applies if the pre-school or leisure centre closes to stop the spread of the disease COVID-19.

The municipality has the right to decide to close a unit to stop the spread of COVID-19. You may have already experienced this at the unit your child or children attend. The cause of any closure is the spread of infection and a high sickness absence among the staff. A decision on a closure to stop the spread of infection is often made quickly. This means that we do not always have the possibility of giving you information well in advance of the decision taking effect. If the pre-school or leisure centre closes, you will receive information about it by email or phone.

If you work in an essential function

If you work in an essential function and have children in pre-school or school up to year 6, you will be offered care at a different unit if the pre-school or leisure centre needs to close. The head teacher will give you information on what pre-school or leisure centre you are offered a place at during the time your ordinary unit is closed.

It is your employer who determines if the company or organisation fills an essential function. A report of a need for care can be made if your employer determines that your work is necessary to maintain the essential function.

You can only report your need for care if the pre-school or leisure centre closes. A need cannot be reported in advance. However, you can get prepared by staying up-to-date and reading the information from the pre-school or leisure centre. You can also ask your employer if you belong to an essential function if you feel it is unclear.

You only have the right to care if you cannot arrange care in another way. If there are two guardians and only one of you participates in an essential function, the assumption is that the other guardian will take care of the child.

Upon a possible closure of the pre-school or leisure centre, you report your need for care using the e-service: [Guardians with work in essential functions – report a need for care upon a closure of a municipal school, pre-school, leisure centre or other educational unit](#)

The e-service is on My pages on the municipality's website, www.norrkoping.se

Children in need of special support

If your child has an extensive need for support, you will be contacted by the staff at the pre-school or leisure centre.

Compensation for the care of a child (VAB)

You receive compensation for the care of a child if the municipality decides to close a unit. More information on this is available on the Swedish Social Insurance Agency (Försäkringskassan) website, www.forsakringskassan.se

On norrkoping.se, more information is available for you who have a child in pre-school or school. www.norrkoping.se/information-om-det-nya-coronaviruset/hardu-barn-i-norrkopings-forskola-skola

Thank you for helping to stop the spread of infection!

Kind Regards,
Utbildningskontoret