Prep enrolments

Prep is the first year of school and provides the [foundation for your child's education](http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/FoundationYear?layout=1) (http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/FoundationYear?layout=1). It is a full-time program held in primary schools. Children attend Monday-Friday, generally from 9am-3pm.

Children must be 5 by 30 June in the year they enrol. Check the table below to see when your child can start Prep.

Child born	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010	Prep	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011	Kindy	Prep	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012		Kindy	Prep	Year 1	Year 2
1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013			Kindy	Prep	Year 1
1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014				Kindy	Prep

Enrolment age variations

Parents enrolling their child in school have the option of an early or delayed start. Enrolment age variations may be due to a child's development and readiness, and could improve their ability to learn.

Read more about [early and delayed entry to Prep](http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/school-operations/early-delayed-entry-prep.html) (http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/school-operations/early-delayed-entry-prep.html) and [allocation of state education](http://ppr.det.qld.gov.au/education/management/Pages/Allocation-of-State-Education.aspx) (http://ppr.det.qld.gov.au/education/management/Pages/Allocation-of-State-Education.aspx).

Delayed start to Prep

It is not compulsory for your child to attend the Prep year as soon as they are old enough—5 by 30 June in the year they enrol. You can delay their entry by 1 year if you feel they are not ready, but when they start school, they should still start in the Prep year.

Parents who decide to delay their child's start in Prep may choose to keep their child at home or in an [early childhood education and care service](http://www.qld.gov.au/families/babies/childcare/types/) (http://www.qld.gov.au/families/babies/childcare/types/). Parents may also apply to access an [Early Childhood Development Program](http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/disability/early-childhood-development-services.html) (http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/disability/early-childhood-development-services.html) for children with disability through existing regional processes.

Students with disability

All children are entitled to attend the Prep Year at their local state school.

Schools provide support services to assist students with disability so they can be included in local Prep classes.

Find more information for students with disability, including information on the:

- [Education Adjustment Program](http://www.qld.gov.au/education/schools/student/pages/disability.html) (http://www.qld.gov.au/education/schools/student/pages/disability.html)
- [Disability Policy](http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/disability/index.html) (http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/disability/index.html).

More information

Get advice on [preparing your child for Prep](https://www.qld.gov.au/education/earlychildhood/prep/pages/preparing.html) (https://www.qld.gov.au/education/earlychildhood/prep/pages/preparing.html), including early childhood education and care options, and how to get your child ready for their first day of school.

See how to [enrol your child in school](https://www.qld.gov.au/education/schools/find/enrolment/pages/how-to.html) (https://www.qld.gov.au/education/schools/find/enrolment/pages/how-to.html).

Related links

- [A Flying Start for Queensland Children](http://flyingstart.qld.gov.au/getting-ready-school/Pages/home.aspx) (http://flyingstart.qld.gov.au/getting-ready-school/Pages/home.aspx)
- [Step up—resources for families](http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/stepup/resources/index.html) (http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/stepup/resources/index.html)

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