

## Help Shape the Future of Early Childhood in Boston

Your voice matters. Complete the Annual Childcare Survey today.

What Is the Annual Childcare Survey?

Since 2019, the City of Boston has led the way with a first-in-the-nation effort to better understand the needs of families with young children. Each year, the Childcare Survey invites parents and guardians like you to share your experiences with:

- Early education and care for children ages 0-5
- Use of public spaces with and for children
- Before- and after-school care for children ages 6-13

We want to hear from you:

- What kind of care works best for your family?
- What challenge (cost, location, availability) do you face?
- How do you and your children use public spaces?
- How can the City of Boston better support you?

Why Your Feedback Matters

Your input has a direct impact on city decisions. Here's what we've done based on past survey responses:

- Created 1,000 new Pre-K seats in 2022 through a \$20 million investment
- Served over 4,500 children through the Youth Cycling Program since the spring of 2024
- Supported 68 new licensed family childcare providers, with at least 7 more on the way

This is your opportunity to help shape policies, programs, and spaces that support your child, your family, and your community.

Take the Survey Today

The Annual Childcare Survey is now open and can be completed in under 20 minutes. All responses are confidential.

By participating, you help:

- Build a stronger, more equitable childcare system
- Ensure all children have access to quality, affordable care
- Influence city-wide decisions that impact Boston families

Take the survey by November 30, 2025 using the QR code.

Questions? Contact the Mayor's Office of Early Childhood at earlychildhood@boston.gov