

Peel Region CWELCC Multi-Year Expansion Plan for Licensed Child Care Providers

Early Years & Child Care Services

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Agenda

- **Peel's CWELCC Multi-Year Expansion Plan**
- **Expansion Application Process**
- **Available Supports**
- **Question Period**



CWELCC Expansion Planning in Peel



CWELCC Expansion Highlights



Ministry released 2023 CWELCC Guideline and Access and Inclusion Framework



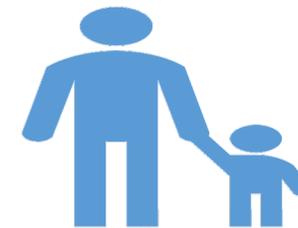
New spaces will include both not-for-profit and for-profit in home-based and centre-based settings targeted to reflect communities of need



Child care providers interested in participating in CWELCC must apply

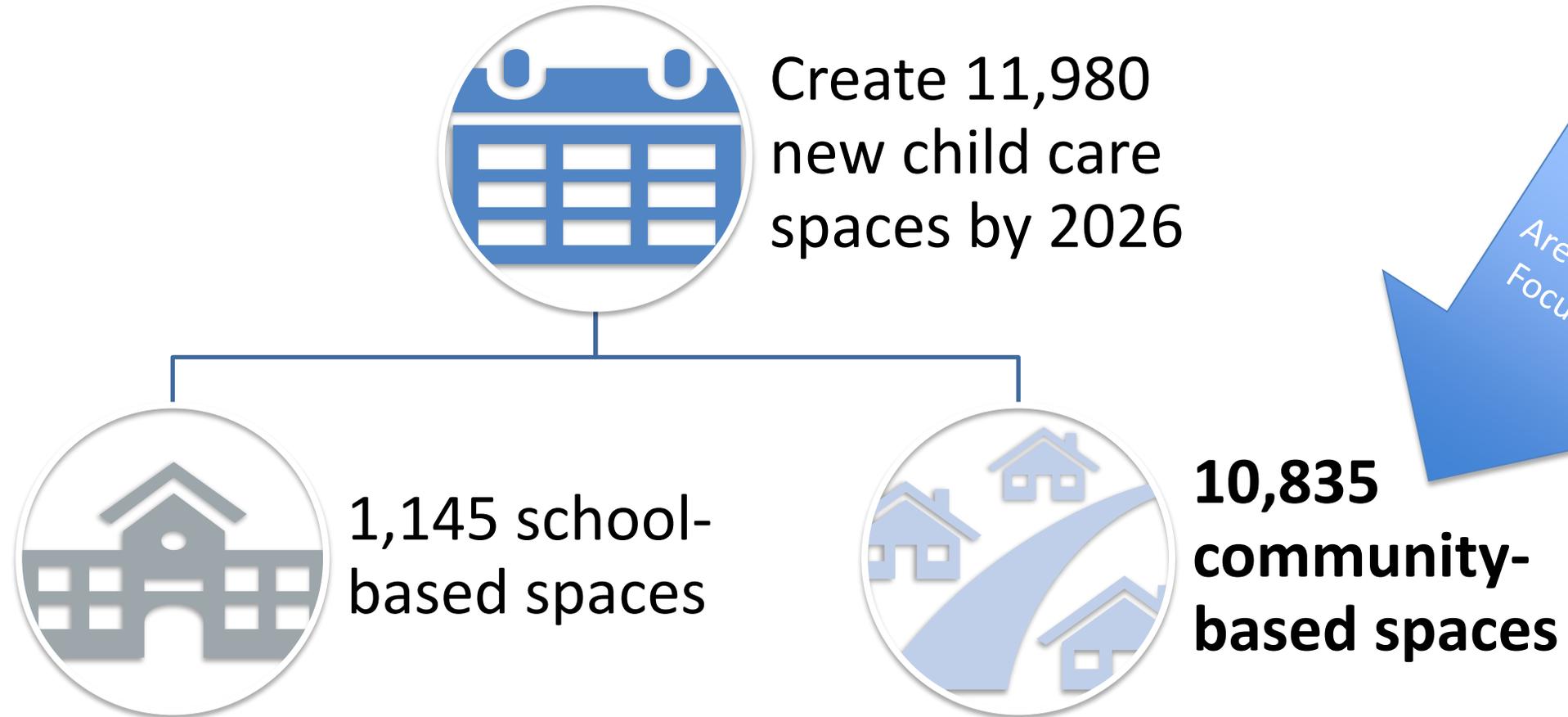


Approval into the CWELCC program is not guaranteed and based on funding availability



Comply with Fee Subsidy Agreement requirements to support vulnerable populations

Peel's CWELCC Expansion Plan Targets



Annual CWELCC Expansion Targets

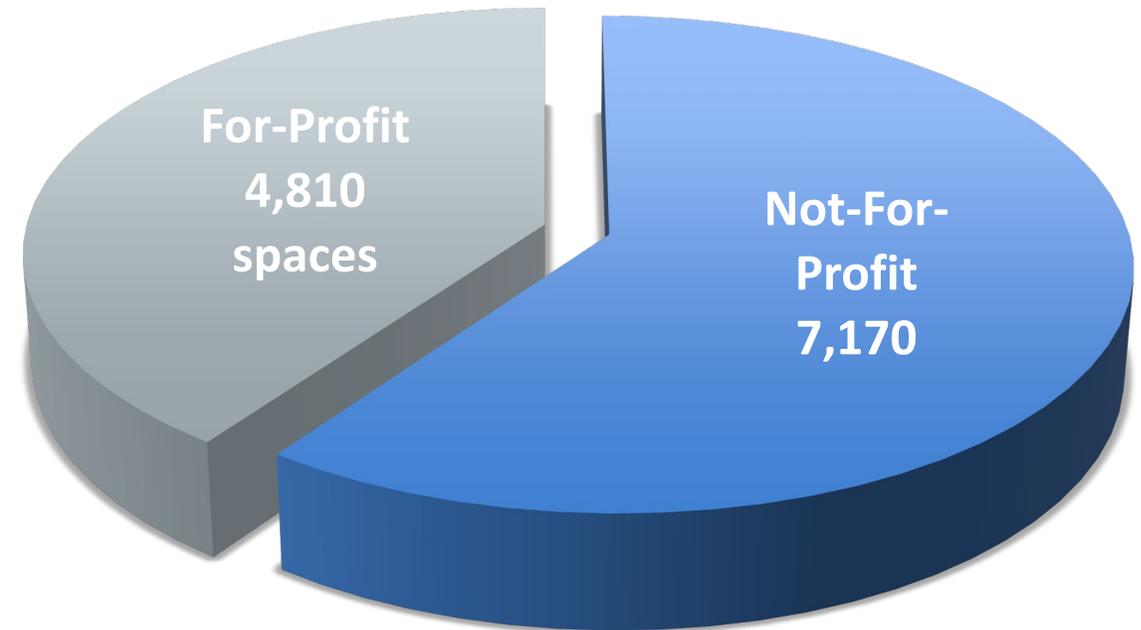
Year	Community-Based Targets (centres and home child care)	School-Based Targets
Total	10,835	1,145
2022	704	107
2023	2,989	366
2024	2,555	560
2025	2,785	112
2026	1,802	-

*Annual Targets are subject to change. Focus will be on achieving our TOTAL targets by December 31, 2026

Auspice Targets

- Peel is required to maintain our current system ratio of Not-For-Profit to For-Profit spaces for children aged 0-5 years.
- Currently Peel has:
 - 60% not-for-profit spaces
 - 40% for-profit spaces
- A minimum of 7,170 not-for-profit spaces must be created as part of Peel Region's CWELCC expansion plan
- Remaining 4,810 spaces can be operated by for-profit providers.

Child Care System Spaces



■ Not-For-Profit ■ For-Profit

11,980 Total Spaces

Age Group Targets

Based on current enrolment and child care demand data, we are restricting expansion to the age categories:

INFANT



TODDLER



PRESCHOOL



Note: We will monitor enrolment and statistical trends throughout the expansion plan and will provide updates to the child care sector on this requirement.

Peel's CWELCC Multi-Year Expansion Plan and Application Process



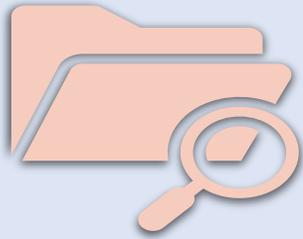
How to Apply to Expand in Peel

There are a few steps for you to complete as part of the Expansion Application process:

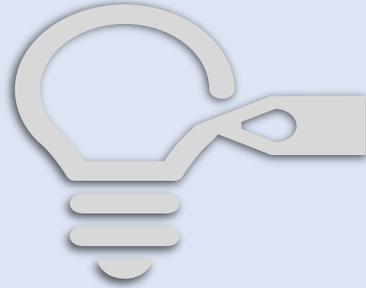
- Step 1: Do your research
- Step 2: Determine if you are eligible
- Step 3: Learn how applications will be assessed
- Step 4: Complete the Region's CWELCC Multi-Year Expansion Application Form
- Step 5: Application results

If approved, you will receive a contract for your CWELCC funding. You will also receive your start up grant if you applied and are approved. You will be required to provide updates on your project as you work toward being licensed.

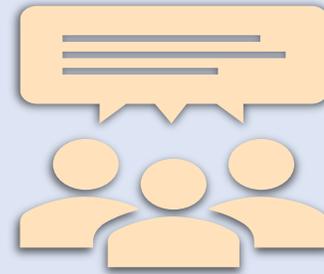
Before you apply...Step 1: Do your Research



Review Peel's
Multi-Year
Expansion Plan and
Website



Use our EYCC
Mapping Tool to
research if your
project is in priority
community



Develop your
business plan to stay
viable based on
anticipated revenue,
expenses, projected
enrollment



Review the
Ministry's licensing
requirements

Consult your local
municipal Planning
and Development

Expansion Mapping Tool Demo

Our [EYCC Mapping Tool](#) has been updated to now show the priority communities

1. Select the Review Areas box and the map will be highlighted to show the Priority Communities
2. Select the Service Delivery Area
3. Adjust the Filters based on your needs
 - Add or Remove - schools, child care centres, school age
 - Input your postal code search on the top right-hand side of the map to see if it falls within a priority community or not.

Step 2: Determine if you are eligible to apply

Centre-based Child Care Providers

- currently participating in Peel's CWELCC program and planning to increase spaces through licence revision
- currently participating in Peel's CWELCC program and planning to open a new child care site in Peel
- new provider opening a new child care site in Peel
- opted-out of CWELCC in 2022 and did not apply through the 2023 Expression of Interest (EOI) process released on May 17, 2023.

Home Child Care Agency

- currently taking part in Peel's CWELCC program and planning to revise your existing licence to add more homes
- would like to open a new LHCC agency with a head office in Peel

Do not need to apply:

School sites with approval for a child care capital project

Space expansion in CCLS before Jan. 1 and submitted an EOI

LHCC agencies with head office outside Peel

LHCC agencies adding homes within existing licence

Step 3 – Learn how applications are reviewed?

Meet Provincial Requirements:



Be actively pursuing a licence, or licence revision under CCLS



Current licence under CCLS in good standing approved by EDU



Demonstrate financial viability



Assessed against Peel Region's criteria

Step 3a: Learn about the Centre-Based Application Criteria

Centre-based child care main criteria:

Are located in one of Peel's identified priority communities or within a 2 kilometre radius of a priority community

Meet the demand for child care programs in that community

We will also consider:

Base wages that you pay to Registered Early Childhood Educators (RECEs) or Director-approved staff (that fill the position of a RECE) align with Peel's 2022 living wage of \$23.15/hr.

If the new spaces are co-located (in school, faith-based building, community centre, affordable housing)

If the new spaces improves access to child care

If the new spaces improve inclusion for underrepresented groups

Step 3b: Learn about the Home Child Care Agency Application Criteria



New LHCC agencies - encouraged but not required to open homes in a priority community.

We will review these applications to assess:

- How much the **base wages** that you pay to Home Visitors (RECEs) align with Peel's 2022 living wage of \$23.15/hr.
- If the new spaces **improve access** to child care such as offering evening care, extended hours of care, weekend care or flexible care options for families.
- If the new spaces **improve inclusion** for underrepresented groups.

Step 4: Complete the Application Form

2023 CWELCC Multi- Year Expansion Application

Please complete all green boxes by selecting your answer from the drop downs. Each question answered provides instructions on how to submit your application

Thank you for answering the questions below. Please scroll down to see the requirements for your submission

1) Are you applying as a Licenced Home Child Care Agency or a Licenced Child Care Centre in Peel?

Centre

2) Please choose the licensing status that best describes the site applying for funding

Existing CWELCC Site -expanding capacity

3) Do you have at least one year of financial statements for your agency or a T1/T2 (where applicable)?

YES

5) Are you applying for the Start-Up Grant?

Yes

To Submit your Start Up Grant Application, please complete Tab 7

Complete Tabs 1-3,5&7

All applicants are required to submit a copy of their current fee schedule in letterhead and attach the applicable Ministry CWELCC licensing form as part of their application. Please review the completeness checklist before submitting.

Apply for Start-up Grant
Providers that opted out in 2022
are not eligible

See instructions on black bar
Indicates tabs to be completed

Use Completeness Checklist tab
An incomplete application may
result in a delay

Step 5: Application Results



Review Applications and Communicate Results
(2 – 3 weeks after the application review)



CWELCC Expansion Funding Letter and appropriate
Ministry required documents



Contract Execution
(As appropriate based on your licensing status)



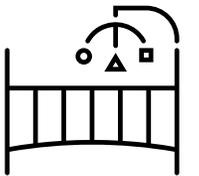
Onboard new providers

NEW! CWELCC Start-up Grant



Start-up Grant

- **Start-up Grant** is available to offset costs to create new community-based, licensed full-day child care spaces in centres and home child care. The grant can be used for **equipping/furnishing** new spaces and/or for **minor renovation** projects.
- You can apply for a **Start-up Grant** as part of your application to enrol into Peel's CWELCC program.
- To receive a **Start-up Grant**, you must commit to these requirements:
 - Enrol and participate in CWELCC until 2026
 - Create new licensed spaces in priority communities
 - Spaces must be community-based, full-day spaces for children aged 0-4
 - License to maximum capacity
 - Spend the grant within two years
 - *For LHCCs:* Maintain number of approved spaces in service area for duration of CWELCC agreement



Start-up Grant (cont'd)

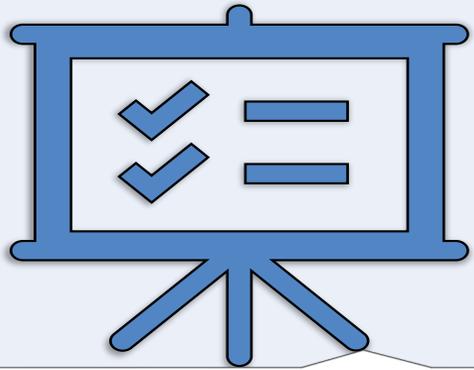
	Licensed Child Care Centres		Licensed Home Child Care Agencies
	Equipping / Furnishing	Minor Renovation	Equipping / Furnishing
Eligible Expenses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Play materials, equipment, and furnishings (indoors & outdoors) Examples: Toys, Cribs ✓ Non-consumable supplies / equipment Examples: Appliances, IT 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Renovations, additions, or repairs to centres ✓ Changes to outdoor play space Examples: Fences, Gates ✓ Leasehold improvements Examples: Installation of walls, partitions, flooring 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Play materials, equipment, and furnishings (indoors & outdoors) Examples: Toys, Cribs
Ineligible Expenses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Purchase of land or buildings ✗ School-based child care spaces 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Debt costs ✗ Before & After School spaces 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Property taxes ✗ Full-day kindergarten spaces
Benchmarks	<p style="text-align: center;">\$1,600/space + \$50,000 for new centres</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Up to \$7,000/space</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>NOTE: This benchmark also applies to funding requests for BOTH Equipping / Furnishing and Minor Renovation</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Up to \$1,000/space To a maximum of \$6,000/LHCC provider</p>

For more details, please see CWELCC Funding Guideline

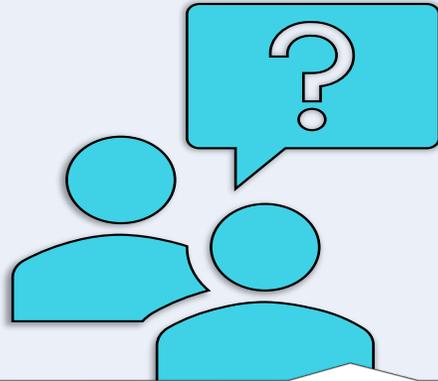
Start-up Grant (cont'd)

- For **Minor Renovations**, as relevant to project scope, you are responsible to:
 - Contact your local municipality to discuss project scope and understand the relevant guidelines, zoning and by-law requirements
 - Hire professional consultant (e.g., architect, engineer) and contractor services
 - Establish a site safety plan for staff and children
 - Meet all Ministry of Education licensing requirements
 - Keep us up to date on project status and budget

Available Supports From Peel Region



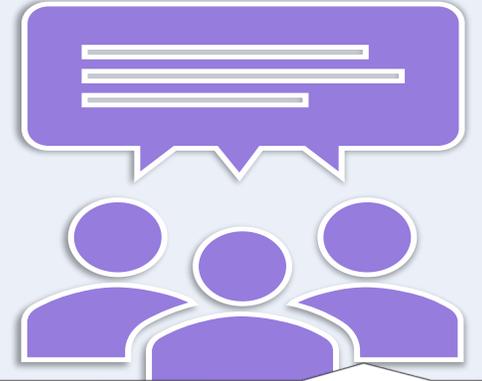
EYCC MAPPING TOOL to Identify Priority Communities



EYS SUPPORT on the CWELCC expansion plan and visit our Website



EMAIL US with Site Specific Inquiries OR Meeting Requests



INFOGRAPHIC On Expansion Process and Timelines

Questions?





Please email your questions to:

earlyyearssystemdivision@peelregion.ca

or contact your Early Years Specialist

Thank You!

