Implementation of Wage Grid For Directors

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Early Learning and Child Care Wage Grid

- Commitment under the Canada-Manitoba Canada-Wide ELCC Agreement (2021-2026).
- Manitoba's first two-year Action Plan provides funding to increase wages for ECEs and CCAs.
- Cost to implement the Wage Grid in 2022/23 is \$37M.
 - \$34.7M for staff working with children under the age of seven; \$2.3M in provincial funding for staff working with school-age children.

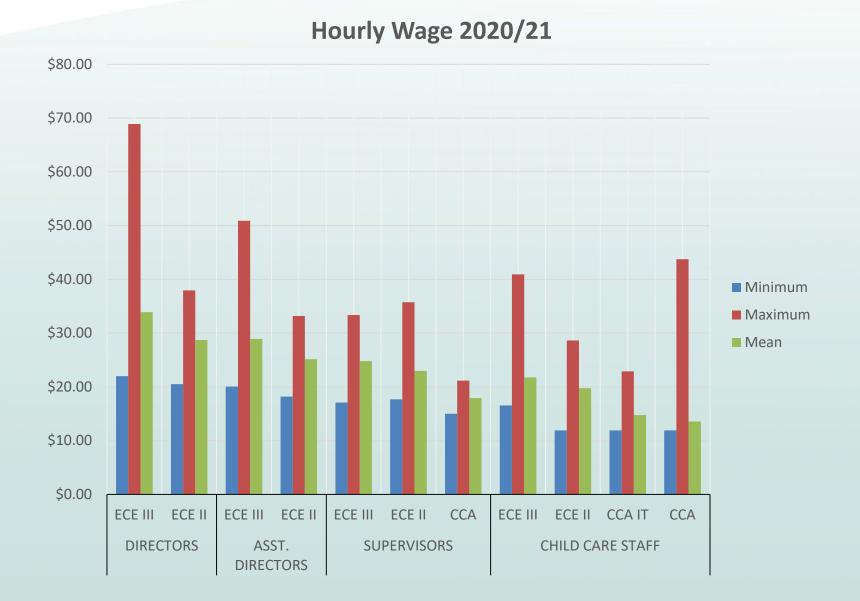


Purpose of the Wage Grid

A well-compensated ELCC workforce is essential to:

- Deliver high-quality ELCC services
- Stabilize and strengthen the ELCC sector
- Address labour market shortages
- Support the retention of current staff
- Support recruitment of new individuals to a career in early childhood education
- Facilities operate as independent businesses and boards of directors establish staff wages – this has resulted in a large range of wages for sector staff dependent upon the facility, classification and position.







Wage Grid Operating Supplement

- The Wage Grid Operating Supplement provides facilities with an on-going revenue supplement directed at increasing staff wages.
- The Wage Grid Operating Supplement increases operating grants to all funded facilities effective July 1, 2022.



Operating Grant Increases

Maximum Annual Grant Rates for ELCC Centres								
Space Type	Infant	Preschool	School Age	Nursery School 1 to 5 sessions/week	Nursery School for each additional session up to 10 sessions/week			
Annual amount per approved, funded space	\$13,676	\$5,331	\$2,277	\$1,495	\$299			

Home-based Providers					
Type of Space	Previous Operating Grant Rate	New Operating Grant Rate Effective July 1, 2022			
Infant	\$2,693	\$3,709			
Preschool	\$2,068	\$2,884			
School Age	\$880	\$1,399			





Unit Funding Model

- Provincial operating grants for centres are based on a unit funding model which provides equal revenue per unit from grants and parent fees.
- Based on regulated staff to child ratios for each space type:
 - Infant Unit = 4 children
 - Preschool Unit = 8 children
 - School Age Unit = 15 children
- The Wage Grid Operating Supplement provides a 12 per cent increase in daily revenue per unit, to support the increased grants effective July 1, 2022.



Foundation and First Step

- The 2022/23 Wage Grid serves as a foundation and first step to moving forward with the development of a more comprehensive grid containing a full wage scale through future Action Plans.
- Changes to the Wage Grid will be informed by consultations with the ELCC sector and feedback provided by the Minister's Consultation Table and sub-committees, and other stakeholder groups.



Development of the Wage Grid

The Wage Grid was developed taking into consideration:

- The range of wages currently offered in the ELCC sector.
- Comparable wages paid in the public service requiring similar qualifications.
- Potential increases to the provincial minimum wage.





Wage Grid – Guide to Increasing Wages

- Provides guidance to boards of directors in developing equitable wage scales across employee classifications and positions.
- The ELCC Wage Grid provides:
 - a starting point for hourly wages based on the position and classification of the employees
 - target wages for different positions and classifications province-wide.



The 2022/23 ELCC Wage Grid

2022/23 Early Learning and Child Care Wage Grid							
	Hourly Wage						
Position and Classification	Starting Point	Target					
Director with ECE III classification							
151-200 spaces	\$33.75	\$36.84					
51-150 spaces	\$30.32	\$32.54					
50 spaces or less	\$27.27	\$29.23					
Director with ECE II classification							
151-200 spaces	\$31.69	\$33.60					
51-150 spaces	\$28.43	\$30.58					
50 spaces or less	\$25.58	\$27.40					
Assistant Director							
ECE III	\$27.20	\$29.25					
ECE II	\$24.53	\$26.30					
Supervisor							
ECE III	\$25.84	\$27.67					
ECE II	\$23.32	\$25.00					
Floor Staff							
ECE III	\$22.29	\$23.77					
ECE II - 2 plus years experience	\$20.90	\$22.29					
ECE - Entry Level	\$19.53	\$20.20					
CCA with 40-hour training requirement completed	\$16.05	\$17.17					





Wage Grid - For Directors

- The board of directors is the legal entity of a non-profit child care centre.
- Boards are responsible and accountable for decision-making related to the centre's business, programming, staffing and finances.
- Directors may assist their boards by providing information and support to make administrative decisions related to wages.



Wage Grid - For Directors

- Assist the board of directors to understand the requirement for funded facilities to implement the Wage Grid.
- Annual budget submissions from funded nonprofit centres must demonstrate additional revenue from the operating grant increase is used to increase wages.
- Implementation of the Wage Grid to support increased wages must be reported in annual audited financial statements.



Questions and Answers

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To learn more about ELCC initiatives, and Manitoba's action plans under the agreements with Canada, please visit: <u>www.manitoba.ca/education/childcare/actio</u> <u>nplan.html</u>.