This Early Childhood Education and Care service is an approved kindergarten program provider for the purposes of claiming Queensland Kindergarten (Free Kindy) Funding.

**Service details**

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| **Service name:** Acacia Ridge Early Years Centre and Kindergarten | | |
| **Address:** 67 Nyngam Street | **Suburb:** Acacia Ridge | **Postcode:** 4285 |
| **Phone:** 33208450 |  | |
| **Website:**  <https://www.benevolent.org.au/services-and-programs/early-childhood-years/early-childhood-education-centres/acacia-ridge-kindergarten-and-long-day-care/acacia-ridge-kindergarten-and-long-day-care-centre> | **Email:**  areycandkindergarten@benevolent.org.au | |

**Kindergarten Fees** (information current as at:**6.12.23**)

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| **Kindergarten Program Details** | **Days:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday  **Hours:**  8.00am– 4.30pm  **ECT:** 2 |
| **Cost of kindergarten program** *(after subsidies are applied)*  ***Note:*** *families may still have out of pocket costs for hours of care outside of the kindergarten program* | **Free**  Kindy free for 15 hours per week, 40 weeks per year. In a long day care setting, additional care above this may be covered in part by the Australian Government Child Care Subsidy or full fee required. |
| **Inclusions in the total fee**  *(list inclusions, e.g. food, sunscreen)* | Sunscreen and meals (moring and afternoon tea and lunch) |
| **Enrolment conditions**  *(list commitment required of child to participate in the kindergarten program)* | Children are required to be enrolled for at least 2 days per week |

**Additional fees or levies**

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| **Item and purpose** | **Cost/frequency** | **Tax deductible Y/N** |
| <if applicable> nil |  |  |

Provider information does not represent the official position of the Queensland Government.

**Approved Kindergarten Program Providers**

This service holds a current service approval for a centre based service in Queensland, under the Education and Care Services National Law (National Law) or the Education and Care Services Act 2013, and appropriate public liability insurance of at least $10 million. To be eligible to receive kindergarten funding the service must meet specific requirements, including provide an approved kindergarten program:

* To children who are at least four years of age by 30 June in the year they commence kindergarten
* Delivered by a qualified early childhood teacher
* Aligned with the Queensland Kindergarten Learning Guideline, or other education program approved by the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority
* For 600 hours annually made up of 15 hours a week or 30 hours per fortnight for 40 weeks. Any other model must be approved by the Department of Education prior to commencement

**The Australian and Queensland Governments are providing subsidies to support the delivery of kindergarten programs. For more information, please visit the Department of Education website:** **<https://earlychildhood.qld.gov.au/>**.