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Eligible activities for long day care services

The table below contains a list of activities that **can** and **cannot** be included as part of the kindergarten learning program hours for Long Day Care Services.

Please see the [2026 Queensland Kindergarten Funding Essentials](#) on the Department's Early Childhood Education and Care website for full details of funding requirements.

Activity type	Can this activity type be included as part of the Approved Kindergarten Program hours?	
	YES	NO
When the ECT is working directly with the kindergarten children and delivering the Approved Kindergarten Program.	✓	
Up to one hour per day, which can be inclusive of programming time or the ECT's lunch break.	✓	
The service's designated rest period condition (if held) where the ECT is in the room and is undertaking activities directly related to delivering an Approved Kindergarten Program, such as individual or small group work with those children who are not resting.	✓	
Extracurricular activities undertaken by the kindergarten cohort when a specific experience is being offered to ALL children, the ECT is present and participating, the experience is included in the ECT's curriculum, and the Approved Provider pays for the activity in full, which can be paid for using 20% of the Base Subsidy.	✓	
Kindy Uplift related Professional Development, Collaborative Learning Opportunities, Collaborative Learning Communities up to an hour per day, no more than two hours per week.	✓	
When the ECT is on non-contact time, including when the ECT is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> undertaking programming (in addition to the allowable one-hour period as listed above) undertaking educational leader responsibilities or <ul style="list-style-type: none"> undertaking other duties not associated with the delivery of the Approved Kindergarten Program (e.g. administration duties, cleaning and kitchen duties). 		✗
When the Approved Provider is utilising 'under the roof' and the ECT is in another area of the service or is not engaged in delivering an Approved Kindergarten Program with the kindergarten cohort.		✗
When the kindergarten children are in mixed-age groups, unless the Approved Kindergarten Program is being delivered during these times and evidence of separate planning for the kindergarten cohort during these periods is documented. For example, services often combine groups at arrival and departure times in one location, or during the delivery of outside school hours care or vacation care.		✗

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