Free kindy recordkeeping checklist for sessional kindergarten program providers

	Governance	
•	Records of principal office bearers, banking details and contacts through the QGrants online portal	
•	Membership requirements with CGB	
•	Records/evidence to meet legislative and regulatory requirements	
•	Maintain up-to-date policies to address bullying and cyberbullying and support the implementation of the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations	
•	Risk management, ethical decision-making and financial accountability	
	Early Childhood Teachers (ECTs)	
	Completed ECT information and qualification form for each ECT engaged to deliver the Approved Kindergarten Program	
•	ECT qualifications as listed on the ACECQA website, and academic transcript showing any applicable study majors	
•	Teaching qualifications, teacher registration/accreditation and approved Certificate III level or higher qualification	
•	ACECQA approval letter confirming equivalence of ECT qualifications	
•	QKFS Teacher Recognition Letter supplied by the Department of Education, and teacher registration (if required)	
•	For Exceptional circumstances, evidence to demonstrate an educator is 'actively working towards' an ECT qualification	
•	Working towards ECT – current academic transcript identifying all completed and enrolled subjects and an approved diploma-level qualification (if required)	
•	Evidence an educator is 'actively working towards' an ECT qualification	
•	Records of evidence of compulsory practicum undertaken by working towards ECTs	
•	Records identifying the start and finish employment dates for all current, relief and previous ECTs and any other non-contact periods (i.e. practical placements, planned leave, programming)	
	Subsidies	
•	Enrolment policies and procedures supported by enrolment forms	
•	Enrolment of Eligible Children in a single kindergarten program is prioritised	
	Hold 10% of total enrolment places in January and February to capture Eligible Children who are yet to enrol Exhaust the waiting list for Eligible Children first before offering fee-paying places to non-Eligible Children CGB framework and procedure for inner Brisbane and surrounds where places are limited	
	Attendance records (e.g. room rolls) for kindergarten cohort, with dates of birth and CCMS software report	



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Records of the number of and rationale for any kindergarten-aged children where the enrolment was cancelled by the Sessional Kindergarten	
Fees are set at the beginning of the calendar year	
Fee for a non-eligible Child is the same or higher than the fee for an Eligible Child	
Calculations completed for fee reduction, with supporting fee structure, reports and family fee statements detailing the free kindergarten component and CCMS software report	
Calculations completed for ECT improved entitlements, with supporting ECT payslips/ employment contract	
Correspondence relating to negotiation of the ECT wage	
Funding is spent on Eligible Children in the year for which the Funding was claimed	
Financial reports, supported by receipts (e.g. relocation costs, accommodation costs, flights, ECT professional development and any applicable study support costs), invoices and bank account statements	
Detailed cost centre reports	
Annual Service Location – Early Childhood Teachers plans	
Kindy Uplift (for opted-in services)	
An accepted Kindy Uplift Plan identifying applicable Funds expenditure and demonstrating how the Funding will improve outcomes for Eligible Children	
Financial reports, supported by receipts (e.g. professional development, resources and programs), invoices and bank account statements	
Payslips and service rosters	
KISS (for opted-in services)	
Evidence of approved applications	
Enrolment policies and procedures, supported by enrolment forms	
Financial reports, supported by receipts, invoices and bank account statements	
Compliance with the Disability Discrimination Act (1992)	
Kindergarten program hours and delivery	
Communication to families about the days and times the Sessional Kindergarten will operate	
Attendance records (e.g. room rolls) for kindergarten cohort, with dates of birth and CCMS software report	
Funding approval from the Department for children eligible for early entry into Prep	
 Letter or email from the school principal of unconditional early enrolment Policy and procedure that includes the management of illness, holiday and long-term absences for Eligible 	_
Children enrolled in an Approved Kindergarten Program	
Planned incursions and excursions are built into the service delivery model and fee structure for services	
Service rosters and daily kindergarten program routine Evidence of all non ECT non-contact periods	
Records demonstrating that the Approved Kindergarten Program is delivered for 600 hours per year	
• The approach for working with families to support the learning potential of each child in kindergarten	

Kindergarten program hours and delivery				
• A record of funding claimed for Eligible Children enrolled in the Approved Kindergarten Program for a minimum of 15 hours per week or 30 hours per fortnight				
 A record of Eligible Children enrolled to participate in the Approved Kindergarten Program for less than 15 hours a week or 30 hours a fortnight who are not eligible for funding and flagged in the CCMS as ineligible 				
Programming and planning with reference to QKLG				
Annual Early Childhood Education and Care Services Census				
Surveys issued by the Department to collect fee information for the Approved Kindergarten Program				
Notify nominated CGB prior to formally ceasing the Approved Kindergarten Program				
Workforce				
Workforce plan including strategies to attract, recruit and retain an ECT				
 Advice to CGB that a qualified ECT could not be recruited to relieve for a period of more than 10 consecutive working days 				
Evidence of planned and unexpected leave				
Evidence of educators participating in workforce programs				

For further information see https://earlychildhood.qld.gov.au/grants-and-funding and 2025 Queensland Kindergarten Funding Essentials – Sessional Kindergarten.

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