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Accreditation Fees



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NAEYC's commitment to the program administrators and teaching staff who pursue quality improvement through NAEYC Accreditation—and to the children and families who ultimately benefit from that inspiring work—has never been stronger. In order to continue supporting early childhood programs and strengthening the accreditation system, NAEYC has taken steps to ensure the long-term viability of NAEYC Accreditation.

Use this NAEYC [Accreditation Fee Worksheet](#) to help estimate your accreditation fees throughout the process of pursuing and maintaining NAEYC Accreditation.

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Fees for Pursuing NAEYC Accreditation

Apply to all programs seeking initial accreditation

New Programs	Level 1 (1 to 60 children)	Level 2 (61 to 120 children)	Level 3 (121 to 240 children)	Level 4 (241 to 360 children)	Every additional 120 children
Step 1 Enrollment in Self Study	\$495	\$595	\$795	\$895	Add \$100
Step 2 Application / Self-Assessment	\$250	\$325	\$400	\$475	Add \$75
Steps 3 & 4 Candidacy / Site Visit (paid at candidacy)	\$825	\$1,025	\$1,225	\$1,425	Add \$200

Fees for Maintaining NAEYC Accreditation

*This fee structure features a consistent accreditation fee that is due annually throughout the life of a program's accreditation to better assist programs in long-term budgeting for accreditation costs.

If this fee structure applies to your program, you will pay the same Annual Accreditation Fee each year and submit an Annual Report form. Currently accredited programs that have maintained its accreditation throughout its 5-year term will not be assessed separate renewal fees in addition to the Annual Accreditation Fee. [LEARN MORE>>](#)

	Level 1 (1 to 60 children)	Level 2 (61 to 120 children)	Level 3 (121 to 240 children)	Level 4 (241 to 360 children)	Every additional 120 children
Annual Accreditation Fees (for programs Valid Until January 2016 and beyond)	\$550	\$650	\$775	\$885	Add \$150

Fees For Re-entering the NAEYC Accreditation Process

Apply to programs that are not currently accredited and want to re-enter the accreditation process within one (1) year of exiting the system.

Currently Accredited Programs	Level 1 (1 to 60 children)	Level 2 (61 to 120 children)	Level 3 (121 to 240 children)	Level 4 (241 to 360 children)	Every additional 120 children
Intent To Renew Forms	\$300	\$325	\$525	\$625	Add \$125
Renewal Fees	\$1,050	\$1,400	\$1,550	\$1,700	Add \$150

Additional Fees

Other Fees	Level 1 (1 to 60 children)	Level 2 (61 to 120 children)	Level 3 (121 to 240 children)	Level 4 (241 to 360 children)	Every additional 120 children
Late Fee (effective January 1, 2011) Read more...	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	n/a
School-Age Accreditation Pilot Read more...	\$1,650	\$1,650	\$1,650	\$1,650	n/a
Verification Visit	\$1,050	\$1,400	\$1,550	\$1,700	\$125
Site Visit Postponement Fee (effective April 1, 2012)	\$1,650	\$1,650	\$1,650	\$1,650	n/a
Overseas Visit Fee (effective January 1, 2011)	\$550	\$550	\$550	\$550	n/a
Enrollment Maintenance Fee (effective January 1, 2011) Read more...	\$125	\$125	\$125	\$125	n/a
Merging or Separating Programs	\$125	\$125	\$125	\$125	n/a

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