| Enrollment Information for  | FY2025 Edition                     |
|---|------------------------------------|
| Minato City Pupils' Clubs<br>A Place for  |                                    |
| Elementary School   | Students                           |
| General Visits to Children's Halls<br>(usable by anyone, no fixed capacity, free)   | ►See page 3 for details            |
| Visit each facility at any time.  |                                    |
| Direct Visits to Children's Halls<br>(usage requirements apply, no fixed capacity, free)<br>Applications will be accepted from Monday, March 3, 2025,<br>either electronically or directly at each facility at any time.                | See page 4 for details             |
| Hoka $GO \rightarrow$   | See page 5 for details             |
| (usable by anyone, <sup>*1</sup> no fixed capacity, <sup>*1</sup> free)<br>[The open application period starts from April 2025]<br>Register at: Facility where you wish to register   |                                    |
| Registration method: Apply by mail, electronically, or in person,<br>or electronically, make sure that the child's<br>receive the child's "participation card" by t   | s parent comes to the facility to  |
| Registration period: Monday, March 3th to Friday, March 14, 20 (excludes Sundays for in person applicatio   |                                    |
| [Applications after the open application deadline]<br>Applications after the open application deadline are accepted a<br>*1 Usage restrictions apply at some facilities   |                                    |
| *2 Excludes Saturday, Sunday, and holidays for in person applications for the <b>Pupils' Clubs</b>  | See page 6 for details             |
| (enrollment selection, fixed capacity, paid)<br>[The open application period starts from April 2025]<br>Apply to: Pupils' Club you wish to enroll in (1st choice)   |                                    |
| <u>Application method:</u> Apply by mail, electronically, or in person.<br>reception desk, for in person applications<br>advance to schedule a date and time for y  | please contact the Pupils' Club in |
| Application period: Only applications that have been submitted no mistakes will be accepted in the period b   |                                    |
| [By mail or electronically]<br>Must arrive between Monday, January 6 and Monday, Janua<br>[In person]   | ary 27 2025                        |
| Between Tuesday, January 14 and Monday, February 3, 202<br>* You can start making appointments to bring in the documents from Mond  |                                    |
| [Applications after the open application deadline]<br>Applications after the open application deadline are accepted a<br>so please contact the Pupils' Club that you wish to enroll in.   | at any time,                       |
| Other Locations and Services  | ►See page 18 for details           |
| Temporary childcare and babysitter assistance is also offered f<br>elementary school students who require it.<br>For more information, see page 18 or the Minato City Website<br>Time for Elementary School Students)<br>(in Japanese). |                                    |

| Type of               | Children's Halls   | Halls  | Pupils' Clubs   | Hoka GC   | Hoka GO→ Clubs   |
|-----------------------|--|--|---|---|--|
| Project               | General Visits   | Direct Visits  |   | Hoka GO→ Pupils' Clubs  | Hoka GO→   |
| Features              | Has facilities such as a playroom, library,<br>workshop, and meeting room. Also holds<br>events and group activities with children<br>from infants to HS students.   | Provides a place for c   | Provides a place for children whose parents cannot care for them at home<br>after school due to work or other reasons.  | care for them at home isons.  | Fosters independence,<br>sociability, and creativity in<br>addition to engaging in activities<br>such as learning and sports.  |
|                       | Loc  | Locations in Minato City   |   | Locations in Ele  | Locations in Elementary Schools  |
| Location              | Children's Halls and ligura Pupils' Club (5 locations) / Kids-to-Teen Hall (6 locations) / Children and Senior Citizens Plaza (1 location)   | 1 ligura Pupils' Club (5 locations) / Kids-to-Teel<br>Children and Senior Citizens Plaza (1 location)  | -Teen Hall (6 locations) /<br>tion)   | Municipal ES<br>(18 locations)  | Municipal ES<br>(19 locations)   |
|                       | Kids Playroom (1 location)   |  | Dedicated spaces for<br>Pupils' Clubs (7 locations)   | * Odaiba <u>Gakuen Koyo ES only does Hoka GO</u><br>A Hoka GO→ Pupils' Club is not available.   | oes Hoka GO→.<br>available.  |
| Usage<br>Eligibility  | Infants to under 18 years old<br>(ligura Pupils' Club and Kids Playroom<br>are open for infants to ES students)  | 1st to 6th grade ES stude<br>or enrolled in a  | grade ES students living in Minato City<br>or enrolled in a Minato City ES  | 1st to 6th grade ES stu<br>or that live in the sch  | 1st to 6th grade ES students enrolled in the ES<br>or that live in the school district for that ES   |
| Fixed<br>Capacity     | No   | No   | Fixed Capacity  | apacity   | No *Hoka GO→ Akasaka<br>has fixed capacity   |
| Usage<br>Conditions   | No   |  | Parental employment, etc.   |   | No *Hoka GO→ Konan is for<br>1st grade students only   |
| Usage<br>Fees         | No   | No   | Monthly fee: 3,000 yen (childcare fee)<br>Monthly fee: 2,000 yen (snacks and fun events fee)  | ildcare fee)<br>acks and fun events fee)  | No   |
| Snacks                | No   | No   | Snacks available (weekdays only)  | (weekdays only)   | No   |
| Application<br>Method | First-time registration only<br>(available at any time)<br>*Must be completed each year  | First-time registration only<br>(available at any time)<br>*Must be completed each year  | Attach an employment certificate to the application<br>form and submit to your desired Pupils' Club<br>*Must be completed each year   | tificate to the application<br>ir desired Pupils' Club<br>eted each year  | First-time registration only<br>(available at any time)<br>*Must be completed each year  |
| Usage<br>Hours        | <ul> <li>(1) Children's Halls and Igura Pupils' Club<br/>[Weekdays] 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM<br/>[Saturdays] 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM<br/>[Saturdays] 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM<br/>[Closed] Sundays, holidays, year-end holidays (Dec. 29 to Jan. 3)<br/>(2) Kids-to-Teens Hall<br/>[Every day] 9:30 AM to 8:00 PM (until 6:00 PM for ES students)<br/>[Closed] Holidays and year-end holidays (Dec. 29 to Jan. 3)</li> <li>(3) Children and Senior Citizens Plaza<br/>[Every day] 9:30 AM to 8:00 PM (until 6:00 PM for ES students)<br/>[Holidays and Dec. 29/30] 9:30 AM to 6:15 PM<br/>[Closed] Year-end holidays (Dec. 31 to Jan. 3)</li> <li>(4) Kids Playroom<br/>[Every day] 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM<br/>[Closed] Year-end holidays<br/>(Dec. 29 to Jan. 3)</li> </ul> | d holidays (Dec. 29 to Jan. 3)<br>d holidays (Dec. 29 to Jan. 3)<br>days (Dec. 29 to Jan. 3) | [Weekdays]<br>After school to 7:00 PM<br>[Weekdays on school holidays]<br>8:00 AM to 7:00 PM<br>[Saturdays]<br>8:00 AM to 5:00 PM<br>[Closed]<br>Sundays, holidays, year-en | ekdays]<br>After school to 7:00 PM<br>ekdays on school holidays]<br>8:00 AM to 7:00 PM<br>urdays]<br>8:00 AM to 5:00 PM<br>sed]<br>Sundays, holidays, year-end holidays (Dec. 29 to Jan. 3) | [Weekdays]<br>After school to 5:00 PM<br>[Weekdays on school holidays]<br>9:00 AM to 5:00 PM<br>[Closed]<br>Sundays, holidays,<br>year-end holidays<br>(Dec. 29 to Jan. 3) |

\*Shirokanedai Children's Hall is currently undergoing large-scale renovation, so direct general attendance is unavailable for FY2025.

# **1 After-School Time for Elementary School Students**

In Minato City, elementary school students have a variety of opens for spending time after school, including general visits and direct visits to Children's Halls, Hoka  $GO \rightarrow$ , and Pupils' Clubs. Compare the characteristics of each option and choose the one that suits your child's growth and family situation.



#### General Visits to Children's Halls

▶See page 3 for details

Children's Halls are places where children can come play after they have returned home. These facilities have a playroom, library, crafts room, meeting room, and other facilities. In addition to being able to freely use the facilities, children here can also participate in events and various group activities with children across a wide range of ages, from infants to high school students. After the initial registration, your child can freely use the facilities at a Children's Hall until 6 PM on weekdays.



#### Direct Visits to Children's Halls

Children's Halls are locations where children can come to play after returning home, but they also have a program that allows children to directly come to the Children's Hall after school if their parents are working or have other circumstances. After the initial registration, make an advance reservation and your child can freely use the facilities at the Children's Hall until 6 PM on weekdays.

►See page 5 for details

See page 4 for details

### Hoka GO→

Hoka  $GO \rightarrow provides$  a safe and secure place for children to spend time at an elementary school (or at a facility attached to an elementary school) during after-school hours and engage in activities such as play, learning, and sports. After the initial registration, submit your usage schedule in advance and your child can freely use Hoka  $GO \rightarrow until 5 PM$  on weekdays.

\* Note that the afterschool Pupils' Club within an elementary school is called "Hoka GO→ Pupils' Club", which is different from "Hoka GO→". Both "Hoka GO→" and "Hoka GO→ Pupils' Club" are collectively referred to as "Hoka GO→ Clubs".

(Spending time at an elementary school)

►See page 6 for details

Pupils' Clubs

In accordance with the Minato City After-School Club Ordinance, Pupils' Clubs provide an activity place for children who cannot receive after-school care at home due to their parents' work or other circumstances. In addition to setting a maximum number of children, charging a childcare fee, and having enrollment screening, Pupils' Clubs provide snacks for the children and are open until 7 PM on weekdays.

The specialized staff members at Pupils' Clubs keep in close contact with families through a contact ledger, parent meetings, and individual consultations, etc., and monitor the children's growth to provide ongoing growth support according to their development.



(Pupils' Clubs at elementary schools)



Other Locations and Services, etc.

►See page 18 for details

There are also other locations and services that can be used if you need temporary childcare or transportation support.

### 2 General Visits to Children's Halls (After returning home from school, children can stay until 6 PM on weekdays)

### Eligible Children

Infants to children under 18 years old

\*The likura Pupils' Club and Kids Playroom are open to children from infants to elementary school students

### Facilities and Operating Hours

| Facility                               | Оре          | rating Hours and Days Closed                   |
|--|--------------|--|
| likura Pupils' Club                    | [Weekdays]   | 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM                            |
| Toyooka Children's Hall                | [Saturday]   | 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM                             |
| Takanawa Children's Hall               | [Closed]     | Sundays, holidays and year-end                 |
| Daiba Children's Hall                  |              | holidays (Dec. 29 to Jan. 3)                   |
| Shinmei Kids-to-Teens Hall             | [Every day]  | 9:30 AM to 8:00 PM                             |
| Azabu Kids-to-Teens Hall               |              | (until 6:00 PM for elementary school students) |
| Akasaka Kids-to-Teens Hall Aoyama Hall | [Closed]     | Holidays and year-end holidays                 |
| Takanawa Kids-to-Teens Hall            |              | (Dec. 29 to Jan. 3)                            |
| Konan Kids-to-Teens Hall               |              |  |
| Shibaura Island Children and           | [Every day]  | 9:30 AM to 8:00 PM                             |
| Senior Citizens Plaza                  |              | (until 6:00 PM for elementary school students) |
|  | [Holidays ar | id Dec. 29/30]                                 |
|  |              | 9:30 AM to 6:15 PM                             |
|  | [Closed]     | Year-end holidays (Dec. 29 to Jan.3)           |
| Kids Playroom                          |              | 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM                             |
|  | [Closed]     | Year-end holidays (Dec. 29 to Jan.3)           |

Shirokanedai Children's Hall is currently undergoing large-scale renovation, so direct general attendance is unavailable for FY2025.

# How to Use

Complete the registration process at the Children's Hall to use it. The procedures at each Children's Hall vary, so please contact the Children's Hall you wish to use.

# Other

- General visits to Children's Halls do not have a fixed capacity, costs, or a selection process for use.
- Actual costs for materials and other expenses may be charged for program participation (at-will participation).
- After coming to a Children's Hall, your child may freely engage in activities, and staff will supervise your child while they are at the facility. The staff do not assist with picking children up from school or managing their return home times.
- In principle, Children's Halls are places where children go to play after they have returned home. If you wish to have your child go directly to a Children's Hall from school after the school day has ended, then please use "Direct Visits to Children's Halls" on page 6.
- Individual interviews will be conducted as necessary for children with disabilities or special care or accommodations.



Minato City Website (Children's Halls/ likura Pupils' Club) (in Japanese)



Minato City Website (Kids-to-Teen Halls/ Children and Senior Citizens Plaza) (in Japanese)



Minato City Website (Kids Playroom) (in Japanese)

# **3 Direct Visits to Children's Halls**

### (Children can come directly from school and can stay until 6 PM on weekdays)

### Eligible Children

Children in grades 1 through 6 who live in or are enrolled in an elementary school in Minato City and who fall under any of the following categories are eligible for this program

- ① Children whose parents are absent from home due to work, hospitalization, or a school program, etc.
- ② Children whose parents have short working hours and are unable to use a Pupils' Club
- ③ Children waiting to enroll in a Pupils' Club\*
- Children for whom the Children's Hall they would use is far from their home
   \* After enrolling in a Pupils' Club, direct visits to a Children's Hall will not be possible
  - (dual registration for direct visits to a Children's Hall and a Pupils' Club is not possible).
  - \* Once your child's enrollment has been decided, please contact the registration point for direct regular attendance.

# Facilities and Operating Hours

| Facility                               | Operating Hours                                       |
|--|---|
| likura Pupils' Club                    | Weekdays with school: After school to 6:00 PM         |
| Toyooka Children's Hall                | Saturdays with school: After school to 5:00 PM        |
| Takanawa Children's Hall               |   |
| Daiba Children's Hall                  | (On school holidays, etc., please use "General Visits |
|  | to Children's Halls")                                 |
| Shinmei Kids-to-Teens Hall             | Weekdays with school: After school to 6:00 PM         |
| Azabu Kids-to-Teens Hall               | Saturdays with school: After school to 6:00 PM        |
| Akasaka Kids-to-Teens Hall Aoyama Hall |   |
| Takanawa Kids-to-Teens Hall            | (On school holidays, etc., please use "General Visits |
| Konan Kids-to-Teens Hall               | to Children's Halls")                                 |
| Shibaura Island Children and           |   |
| Senior Citizens Plaza                  |   |

Shirokanedai Children's Hall is currently undergoing large-scale renovation, so direct general attendance is unavailable for FY2025.

### How to Use

# (1) Advance Registration (You must register each fiscal year.)

Submit the registration form electronically or in person. \* Regardless of whether or not your child has a disability, if your child requires special care or accommodations then please also submit a Living Situation Survey.

Electronic application form

(registration for direct visits)

(in Japanese)

### (2) Usage Reservation

Make a reservation in advance either by phone or directly at the facility.

When making a reservation, confirm the date of use, your child's name, school, grade, and estimated time of arrival.

\* If you wish to change your reservation, then be sure to notify the facility either by phone or directly at the facility.

# Other

- Direct visits to Children's Halls do not have a fixed capacity, costs, or a selection process for use.
- Actual costs for materials and other expenses may be charged for program participation (at-will participation).
- · Registration information will be provided to the elementary school where your child is enrolled.
- If your child does not arrive at their scheduled time on a day when they will use the Children's Hall, then the child's parents or elementary school may be contacted.
- After coming to a Children's Hall, your child may freely engage in activities, and staff will supervise your child while they are at the facility. The staff do not assist with picking children up from school or managing their return home times.
- Individual interviews will be conducted as necessary for children with disabilities or special care or accommodations.

### 4 Hoka GO→ (Children can spend time at school until 5 PM on weekdays)

### Eligible Children

Children in grades 1 to 6 who are enrolled in the Hoka  $GO \rightarrow$ 's elementary school or who live within the elementary school district where the Hoka  $GO \rightarrow$  is located.

- \* Hoka GO $\rightarrow$  Club Konan is only for 1st year students.
- \* Hoka GO $\rightarrow$  Club Akasaka has limited capacity.

# Facilities

All Minato City elementary schools (19 schools)

### Activity Locations

Hoka GO $\rightarrow$  room inside the elementary school, and school facilities such as the schoolyard and gymnasium.

# **Operating Hours**

Weekdays with school:After school to 5:00 PMSaturdays on school holidays school:9:00 AM to 6:00 PM



Electronic Application Form (Hoka  $GO \rightarrow$ Registration application)

# Closed

Saturdays, Sundays, holidays, and year-end holidays (Dec. 29 to Jan. 3)

### How to Use

### (1) Advance Registration (You must register each fiscal year.)

Submit your registration form by mail, electronically, or in person.

| Hou to submit                   | Points to note  |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Mail/Electronic<br>Applications | After applying, the child's parent must come to the facility to receive the child's "participation card" by the first day of use.             |
| In-Person Applications          | <b>Child's parent must be present</b> , and you will be given your child's "participation card." Phoning in advance allows smoother guidance. |

If you wish to use the Hoka  $GO \rightarrow$  service from the beginning of April 2025, please complete the registration procedures within the below period.

Open application period: Monday, March 3 to Friday, March 14, 2025 (excludes Sundays for in person applications)

Applications will be accepted at any point after the above period.

- \* You will be provided with usage instructions when you receive your child's "participation card."
- \* Hoka  $GO \rightarrow$  uses the "participation card" to manage children's return home time, etc.
- \* Regardless of whether or not your child has a disability, if your child requires special care or accommodations then please also submit a Living Situation Survey.
- \* During the open application period, Hoka GO→ Odaiba do not accept in-person applications on Saturdays, Sundays.

### (2) Usage Schedule Submission

As a general rule, please submit your usage schedule directly to the facility by the month before you plan to use Hoka  $GO \rightarrow$ . Usage schedule forms will be distributed every month.

\* If you have changes to your usage schedule, then be sure to notify the facility either by phone or directly at the facility.

# Other

- Hoka  $GO \rightarrow$  does not have a fixed capacity, costs, or a selection process for use.
- Actual costs for materials and other expenses may be charged for program participation (at-will participation).
- · Individual interviews will be conducted as necessary for children with disabilities or allergies, etc.

### 5 Pupils' Clubs (Children can spend time until 7 PM on weekdays. Pupils' Clubs have fixed capacity, enrollment selection, and are paid.)

### Eligible Children

[Pupils' Clubs at Children's Halls]

Children in grades 1 through 6 who live in or are enrolled in an elementary school in Minato City.

[Pupils' Clubs at Hoka GO→]

Children in grades 1 to 6 who are enrolled in the Hoka  $GO \rightarrow Pupils'$  Club's elementary school or who live within the elementary school district where the Hoka  $GO \rightarrow Pupils'$  Club is located.

The above children are eligible if they also fall under any of the following categories:

- 1 Both parents are unable to care for the child at home due to work, etc.
- ② In no-parent or single-parent households, if the child's guardian is unable to care for the child at home due to work, etc.
- ③ When the child's parents are unable to care for the child at home due to childbirth, illness, injury, or mental/physical disability.
- ④ When the parent is engaged in caregiving or nursing (for individuals with physical/mental disability or undergoing long-term treatment) and is unable to care for the child at home.
- ⑤ In cases where there are other special or extenuating circumstances.

# Facilities

As listed in the attached "List of Minato City Pupils' Clubs for FY2025"

# Enrollment Period

Your child's enrollment period in the Pupils' Club is until the end of the academic year. The enrollment period for the 2025 academic year is from April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026. If you wish to have your child continue to use the Pupils' Club in the next academic year, then you will need to reapply. As a general rule, your child's enrollment in the Pupils' Club will be canceled if it has not been used for two months from the last date of use.

# **Operating Hours**

| Day              | Usage Hours             |   |  |
|------------------|-------------------------|---|--|
| Monday to Friday | After school to 7:00 PM | *8:00 AM to 7:00 PM on school holidays  |  |
| Saturday         | 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM      | *After school to 5:00 PM on school days |  |

\* For your child's safety, if using the Pupils' Club until after 6 PM, then please have a parent come and pick them up.

\* Pupils' Clubs are closed on Saturdays, Sundays, holidays, and year-end holidays (Dec. 29 to Jan. 3)

# Saturday Usage

If both of the child's parents are unable to care for the child on Saturdays due to work or other reasons, then Pupils' Clubs may be used on Saturday as well. No snacks will be provided on Saturdays. Please also check with each Pupils' Club for details on Saturday usage and implementation details.

# When Students Must Bring Their Own Lunch

On days when the school is closed and school lunch is not available, students should bring their own lunch. Pupils' Clubs also have a boxed lunch delivery service during the long summer, winter, and spring vacation periods for Minato City elementary schools. The cost of these boxed lunches will be borne by the child's parents, but, if ordered in advance, then the boxed lunch will be delivered directly to each Pupils' Club. See the Minato City Website for details.



Minato City Website (Boxed lunch delivery for Pupils' Clubs) (in Japanese)

# Pupils' Club Childcare Fee

#### Monthly fee of 3,000 yen

- \* A childcare fee will be charged for each month that your child is enrolled, regardless of the number of days that they attend.
- \* Only for the first month a student joins and the last month in which they are enrolled in the Pupils' Club, if their enrollment period is for 15 days or less (including Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays), then the monthly childcare fee will be 1,500 yen.
- \* As a general rule, payment of the childcare fee should be made via bank transfer. See the Minato City Website for the procedures.
- \* Additionally, a fee for snacks and fun events will also be charged (refer to the following information).

#### [Fee Reduction/Exemption System] (You must apply each fiscal year.)

Households that fall under any of the following ① to ⑤ can be fully exempted from the childcare fee. However, you must **apply in advance** to have the fee reduction/exemption apply. **The reduction/exemption will be applied from the month of your application**. \* You can't back-date an application.

- \* Applications cannot be handled before enrollment is decided. Please apply after enrollment is decided.
  - 1 Households receiving public welfare assistance
  - ② Households exempted from municipal resident tax
  - 3 Households receiving Child-rearing Allowance
  - Low-income households (households receiving school attendance assistance or households at the level of receiving public welfare assistance)
  - 5 Second child or after whose sibling(s) are already using a Minato City Pupils' Club

### Fee for Snacks and Fun Events

#### Monthly fee of 2,000 yen

Please pay directly to the respective Pupils' Clubs. (Please inquire with each facility about payment methods.) There are assistance systems in place for households receiving public welfare assistance. Please inquire with the respective Pupils' Clubs after your child's enrollment has been confirmed.

### Pupils' Club Check-in System (Mimamorume)

A Pupil's Club Check-in System has been introduced to ensure the safety and security of children after school. When a child with a special IC tag enters or leaves the Pupil's club, their check-in/out is recorded and sent to the parent's mobile phone. Pupils' Clubs and guardians contact each other on a dedicated app (guardians notifying the club of an absence or lateness, various notifications from the club).Further details will be provided after your child enrolls in the Pupils' Club.

#### [Notes]

- The IC tag itself does not contain any personal information.
- Because the IC tag uses radio waves that are weaker than the PHS waves used in medical settings, it will not affect medical equipment.
- If the IC tag comes into close contact with metal products such as iron or cans, then its reaction will be slower.
- The IC tag may break if it is immersed in water.
- The IC tags are loaned to students. When you withdraw your child from the Pupils' Club, make sure to return the IC tag.
- If your child's IC tag is lost or damaged then it will need to be reissued. Reissuance costs 2,620 yen (including tax), and

this cost will be borne by the child's parents unless the failure is due to no fault of the user.

# Other

- The elementary school where your child is enrolled will be notified when your child enrolls in or withdraws from the Pupils' Club.
- 2 Individual interviews will be conducted as necessary for children with disabilities or allergies, etc.
- ③ If there is a change to the details or your original application (such as your address or workplace), then go through the application change procedures for the Pupils' Club (if there is a change to your workplace, then you must submit a Certificate of Employment).
- ④ If you no longer meet the requirements to have your child enrolled in the Pupils' Club, then you will be asked to withdraw your child.
- (5) If your child is unable to enroll in the Pupils' Club of your choice and you wish to be placed on the waitlist, then you will be considered for selection when a vacancy becomes available. Your Pupils' Club application is valid until the end of the academic year in question. During your application's validity period if you no longer need to enroll in the Pupils' Club, or if your application status changes, then contact the Pupils' Club.
- ⑥ Information that can be used to identify a specific individual is appropriately handled in accordance with the Act on the Protection of Personal Information and the Minato City Ordinance Enforcing the Act on the Protection of Personal Information.



Minato City Website (Information about Pupils' Club fees) (in Japanese)

#### How to apply for a Pupils' Club 6

# Process until enrollment (You must apply every fiscal year)

# (1) Prepare in advance Make sure you are ready by creating and obtaining

### the documents you will need to apply.

- You can download the forms from the Minato City website; they are also available in each Pupils' Club, the General Administration Section at each Regional City Office, and the Children and Youth Support Section (7F City Hall).
- Enrollment applications are accepted any time throughout the year, but depending on vacancies in the club, enrollment may not be possible even after application. Please (Guide to enrolling in a Pupils' ask each facility about the latest vacancy information beforehand.

#### (2) VIDDA Submit the necessary documents to your chosen Pupils' Club.

|        | The Pupils' Club you would like your child to attend (your first choice Pupils' Club) |
|--------|---|
|        | Postal mail, online application, in-person submission of                              |
| How to | documents   |
| apply  | *If you are going to submit the documents in person, you must make an                 |

appointment with your chosen Pupils' Club in advance

Online application form (Apply to use a Pupils' Club)

- If you are going to submit the documents in person, please phone the club in advance and make an appointment to submit the documents.
- If you take the documents to the club without an appointment, the club may not be able to confirm their content or accept them.
- If you have a child who requires special consideration, a personal interview will be conducted as necessary after the application. Personal interviews are held with the aim of rapidly readying the club's staff and facility environment, and will not affect your child's selection.
- Make sure you check "Points to note when applying for enrollment" on p.11 when you apply.

# (3) Selection/enrollment decision Clubs carry out impartial selection

### based on the Minato City Pupils' Club Enrollment Standards

- If, as a result of selection, your child cannot be enrolled in your first choice Pupils' Club, they will then be entered into the selection for your second choice Pupils' Club. In such a case, the documents you submitted will be handed over to your second choice Pupils' Club.
- You will be informed of the outcomes of selection by postal mail (if your child will be enrolling in April,
- the outcomes should be sent out at the end of February).

# (4) Enrollment information session Each Pupils' Club holds an

### enrollment information session

If your child is to enroll in April, check the attached document "Minato City Pupils' Clubs in FY2025 : Dates and times of enrollment information sessions (planned)" for the date and time of the information session.

# Application period

(1) En masse application for enrollment in April 2025

| Postal mail or online application | Monday, January 6 to Monday, January 27, 2025 must arrive   |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| In person                         | <b>Tuesday, January 14 to Monday, February 3, 2025</b><br>excluding Sundays<br>*You can start making appointments to bring in the documents from Monday, January 6, 2025<br>(phone call required) |  |  |  |  |
| (2) Rolling applicat              | tions after en masse application  |  |  |  |  |
| Applications will be a            | Applications will be accepted as needed by postal mail, online application, or in person.   |  |  |  |  |

### Please ask each facility about their latest vacancy information beforehand.

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Club, etc.)

### Documents for submission

\*Please do not use pencil, erasable ball-point, correction tape, etc. \*Correct any errors, etc. by crossing out with a double line.

### (1) Application form for the use of Pupils' Clubs (only if submitting by postal mail or in person)



Online application form (Application for the use of Pupils' Clubs)

### (2) Documents proving that your child cannot be cared for at home

| Guardian's situation                |   | Necessary documents   |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| Employment                          | Regular worker,<br>temporary worker,<br>part-time worker,<br>etc.   | <ul> <li>OCertificate of Employment (issued within four months of the date of application)</li> <li>OCopy of most recent time card or attendance record for one month or more (only for irregular work. If your most recent work does not reflect the normal state of your work, submit a document for an average month. If there is a specific note in the remarks section or on the back of the certificate of employment, submission is not required.)</li> </ul>  |
|                                     | Executive, self-<br>employed, side job<br>at home, employed<br>in family business<br>(you work at a<br>company run by a<br>family member of<br>the third degree or<br>closer), etc. | <ul> <li>OCertificate of Employment (issued within four months of the date of application)</li> <li>O Copy of document(s) showing your working status (contract agreements, order forms, registration certificate, notification of business opening, business permit, historical records, etc.)</li> <li>OCopy of most recent time card or attendance record for one month or more (only for irregular work. If your most recent work does not reflect the normal state of your work, submit a document for an average month. If there is a specific note in the remarks section or on the back of the certificate of employment, submission is not required.)</li> </ul> |
|                                     | Childbirth  | O Copy of Maternal and Child Health Handbook (page showing expected delivery date)  |
|                                     | Illness   | OCopy of medical certificate from a doctor (written opinion) (issued<br>within three months of the date of application) (containing specific<br>information about the onset of symptoms, the treatment period,<br>frequency of hospital visits, and difficulty caring for the child)<br>*If there is no specific information, this will come under general medical<br>treatment (11 points in the standard index)   |
| Disability                          |   | OCopy of <i>Shogaisha Techo</i> (Certificate of the Disabled), or <i>Ai-no-Techo</i> (Certificate of the Intellectually Disabled)   |
| Caregiving/nursing care             |   | <ul> <li>O Document indicating caregiving/nursing status (copy of medical certificate for patient/caregiver, nursing insurance card, <i>Shogaisha Techo</i> (Certificate of the Disabled), or <i>Ai-no-Techo</i> (Certificate of the Intellectually Disabled))</li> <li>OCaregiving/nursing time schedule (you can download the designated format from the Minato City website, although any format is acceptable).</li> </ul>  |
| Seeking employment                  |   | OCopy of job search card or reception slip (issued by Hello Work)<br>*Once your employment has been decided, please submit your<br>certificate of employment. If your employment has not been decided<br>within three months of your child enrolling in the club, as a general<br>rule, your child's enrollment will be revoked.  |
| Attending school<br>Childcare leave |   | <ul> <li>OCertificate of (expected) school enrollment (issued within four months of the date of application)</li> <li>ODocument, etc. indicating hours of study</li> </ul>  |
|                                     |   | <ul> <li>OCertificate of employment (issued within four months of the date of application)</li> <li>OCopy of notification of payment of childcare leave pay or your most recent pay slip indicating employment insurance deduction (this is not needed if you plan to return to work by the end of June. You only need to submit your certificate of employment.)</li> </ul>  |
|                                     | Disaster  | OCopy of proof of disaster  |

### (3) Other documents (Only if the following apply) \*Relating to adjustment index, etc.

| Category   | Necessary documents  |
|--|--|
| If the household is receiving public welfare assistance          | OCopy of public welfare assistance certificate   |
| If the child to be enrolled has a disability                     | <ul> <li>O Medical certificate from a doctor (written opinion) (issued within three months of the date of application), copy of <i>Shogaisha Techo</i> (Certificate of the Disabled), <i>Ai-no-Techo</i> (Certificate of the Intellectually Disabled), or disability welfare services recipient ID, etc.</li> <li>*If your child attends a special needs class or special support class in a Minato City elementary school, please indicate this on the application form.</li> <li>OLiving Situation Survey</li> </ul> |
| If the child to be enrolled<br>requires special<br>consideration | OLiving Situation Survey   |
| If a cohabiting child under<br>the age of 18 has a<br>disability | OMedical certificate from a doctor (written opinion) (issued within<br>three months of the date of application), copy of <i>Shogaisha Techo</i><br>(Certificate of the Disabled), <i>Ai-no-Techo</i> (Certificate of the<br>Intellectually Disabled), or disability welfare services recipient ID,<br>etc.   |
|  | OCopy of family register (issued within three months of the date of application), proof of Child-rearing Allowance (Jido Fuyo Teate), proof of Medical Expense Subsidy for Single-Parent Families, copy of notification authorizing Child Support Allowance or notification of payment of Child Support Allowance.   |
| If you are a single-parent household (including                  | <pre><if a="" are="" foreign="" national="" you=""> OCopy of certificate proving you are single or certificate of legal capacity to marry issued by your embassy (issued within three months of the date of application)</if></pre>  |
| households where one<br>parent is working away<br>from home)     | <if are="" assumption="" divorce="" living="" of="" on="" separately="" the="" you=""> O Document indicating you are expecting to divorce (request for divorce mediation, contract with lawyer, request for support measures, etc.)</if>   |
|  | <ul> <li>*If you do not submit any documents, no points will be added from<br/>the standard index or adjustment index.</li> <li>*If it is difficult for you to obtain proof you are a single-parent<br/>household through the family register, or difficult for you to submit<br/>any of the following documents, please discuss this with us.</li> <li>*Prove one parent is working away from home with a certificate of<br/>employment.</li> </ul>   |
| If you are planning to move to Minato City                       | OCopy of rental or purchase contract (this should include address, moving date, and contractor's name)   |

#### [Points to note about documents for submission]

Getting your employer's seal on your certificate of employment is not required. Note that if you create or alter an employment certificate with your employer's name on it without permission, even though the document is not affixed with your employer's seal, if it is deemed that your act has the constituent elements of the crime of creation of a forgery of a private document with a seal or the crime of alteration of a private document with a seal, then you may be found to have committed those crimes.

a seal, then you may be found to have committed those crimes. \* Please ensure that any documents in foreign languages other than English are translated into Japanese

#### [Date of issuance of documents for submission]

\* Certificates of employment and certificates of (expected) school enrollment should be issued within four months of the date of application to be valid.

\* Medical certificates from a doctor (written opinion) and your family register should be issued within three months of the date of application to be valid.

\* All other documents should, as a general rule, be issued within three months of the date of application, or be within the time period specified for their validity, etc.

# Points to note when applying for enrollment

### (1) If you are applying in person

- If you are going to submit your application in person, please contact the Pupils' Club in which you hope to enroll your child (your first choice Pupils' Club) in advance by phone and arrange an appointment to bring the documents in.
- If you take the documents to the club without an appointment, the club may not be able to confirm their content or accept them.
- Reception desks and phone lines become extremely busy right before the deadline, so please apply with time to spare. If at all possible, please help by applying online to relieve this rush.
- Your application cannot be accepted if you do not have all the required documents or there are mistakes, etc.

### (2) If you are applying online

- · You can submit certificates, etc. by scanning them or taking a photo and attaching it.
- · Any photos you attach should be clear and readable.
- We are unable to respond to any queries confirming whether an electronic application has arrived. Please check your email for a notification that your application has been sent. This email will contain a receipt number, which you must keep.
- The content of applications will be confirmed in order of receipt. As there is a large number of applications, it takes several days to confirm an application.
- Applications that reach Minato City via the system by 23:59 on Monday, January 27 are eligible for en masse application.
- Please submit documents with no mistakes, etc.
- If there are any mistakes, etc. in your application, you will be sent an email asking to resubmit it (no-reply@logoform.jp). Please make sure you can receive and check emails.
- If there are any mistakes, etc. in your application, please resubmit by Monday, February 3. Applications that have not been resubmitted will be considered invalid.
- Any online applications sent after the deadline will be handled as a rolling application (not eligible for en masse application), unless all documents are assembled without mistakes, etc. by Monday, February 3.

### (3) If you are applying by postal mail

- Please submit the documents using a postal service that allows you to confirm delivery. We cannot respond to any queries about the arrival of documents by post.
- Minato City takes no responsibility for any documents that are late or do not arrive due to issues with the post.
- Documents must arrive by the deadline. Please allow enough time for them to be delivered by the deadline date.
- If there is a mistake, etc. in your documents, you will be contacted by the Pupils' Club by telephone. If your application is part of the en masse application, you must resubmit your application by Monday, February 3. You must assemble your documents without mistakes, etc. by Monday, February 3, to be eligible for the en masse application.

### (4) If your circumstances differ from your application or have been falsified

- Your application will become invalid (any children enrolled in a club will lose their place)
- Note that if you create or alter an employment certificate with your employer's name on it without permission, even though the document is not affixed with your employer's seal, if it is deemed that your act has the constituent elements of the crime of creation of a forgery of a private document with a seal or the crime of alteration of a private document with a seal, then you may be found to have committed those crimes.

### (5) If you are applying for a child that requires special consideration

- If you have a child with needs that require special consideration in a group environment (regardless of whether they have a disability), including children with developmental or language issues, please submit a survey of your living situation. The Pupils' Club may also ask you to submit one of these as necessary.
- Individual interviews will be conducted as necessary after application. Note that interviews are held with the aim of rapidly readying the club's staff and facility environment, and will not affect your child's selection.

### (6) If you are applying due to childbirth

• The enrollment period for children attending clubs due to childbirth is approximately two months before and after the expected month of delivery, up to a total of five months. It is not possible to continue using the club for longer than the enrollment period (if you wish to continue using the club, you must reapply under a different criteria).

### (7) If you are applying due to illness

 Index points will be calculated based on the medical certificate containing specific information about the onset of symptoms, the treatment period, frequency of hospital visits, and difficulty caring for the child. If there is no specific information on the medical certificate, this will come under general medical treatment (11 points in the standard index)

### Points to note after enrollment is decided

- You must attend the enrollment information session and check all the documents that are distributed.
- Please submit a child information form (jidohyo) in advance to ensure the club has emergency contact information for your child and knowledge of their route home. If you do not submit this form, your child cannot be accepted.
- Make sure you pay the childcare fee every month. You will need to apply in advance for a reduction/exemption of fees. Be aware that if the fee is repeatedly unpaid, you may be subject to disposition for failure to pay under municipal regulations.
- The costs for snacks and Otanoshimi Kaihi (fee for various activities) are collected by each Pupils' Club, and treated as private expenses. Make sure you pay every month so you are not in default.
- If your reason for needing the Pupils' Club is no longer applicable, your child will be unenrolled.
- If you do not use the club for two months after your last day of use and have no justifiable reason for this, your child will be unenrolled.
- Temporarily entering and exiting the Pupils' Club with the aim of avoiding the application of adjustment index 10 (attendance rate) (p.15) will be considered non-attendance.
- If your child is not attending the club due to an illness that would infect schools such as influenza or COVID-19, please notify the Pupils' Club of the name of the illness and the period the child will not be attending.
- If there are any changes in your name, address, contact details, or employer, etc., please submit a Notice of Change in Application Items to the Pupils' Club. If your child is unenrolling from the club, submit a "Notification of cessation of use" to the Pupils' Club you have been using. Both forms can be downloaded from the Minato City website or sent online.



Minato City website (Necessary procedures after applying to enrol in a Pupils' Club)

### 7 Pupils' Club Enrollment Standards (Standard index, adjustment index, and priority criteria)

### [Index Calculation Method]

### Standard index for 2 parents + Adjustment index = Total index for household

- \* For single-parent households (including households with one parent on job assignment elsewhere), 20 is added to the standard index for the father or mother, and then the adjustment index is added. Note that if you don't submit proof that you are a single-parent household, the points from the standard index and adjustment index will not be added.
- \* Enrollment will be offered first to high index households. If two households have the same index, then the selection will be made based on the priority criteria below.

| Star | ndard Index             |   |   |  |    |
|------|-------------------------|---|---|--|----|
| No.  | (when coh               | abiting relatives   | Parental Situation<br>or another individual is unable to care for the child at home)  | Standar  |    |
| INO. | Category                |   | Details   | d Index  |    |
|      | Employment              | Working<br>20 or more<br>days/month                                 | Regularly working more than 8 hours/day or more than 160 hours/month  | 20   |    |
|      |                         |   | Regularly working more than 6 and less than 8 hours/day   | 17   |    |
|      |                         |   | Regularly working more than 4 and less than 6 hours/day   | 14   |    |
| 1    |                         | Working   | Regularly working more than 8 hours/day   | 17   |    |
|      |                         | Working<br>16 or more<br>ployment days/month                        | Regularly working more than 6 and less than 8 hours/day   | 14   |    |
|      |                         |   | Regularly working more than 4 and less than 6 hours/day   | 11   |    |
|      |                         |   | Regularly working more than 8 hours/day   | 14   |    |
|      |                         | Working<br>12 or more<br>days/month                                 | Regularly working more than 6 and less than 8 hours/day   | 11   |    |
|      |                         |   | Regularly working more than 4 and less than 6 hours/day   | 8  |    |
|      |                         | Does not fall un  | der above criteria, but regularly works 48 hours/month or more  | 8  |    |
| 2    | Childbirth              | Childbirth (2 mc  | onths before/after expected birth month, up to 5 months in total)   | 12   |    |
| 3    | Illness                 | Hospitalization   | (including individuals who received a hospitalization decision)   | 22   |    |
|      |                         | Illness   | At-home   | You are bedridden (generally, someone who has been<br>bedridden for most of the day for at least a month and is<br>receiving treatment from a doctor on an ongoing basis), or a<br>patient with an infectious disease or serious mental illness<br>(a Seishin Shogaisha Hoken Fukushi Techo (Certificate of<br>the Mentally Disabled) level 2 or higher) | 20 |
|      |                         |   | treatment   | You need continuous rest (you have a condition that requires<br>you to visit the hospital at least once every two weeks and have<br>been told by your doctor to rest or recuperate restfully)  | 14 |
|      |                         |   | General médical treatment (the above do not apply, but your difficulty caring for your child is acknowledged)   | 11   |    |
|      | Disability              | Ai-no-Techo (Ce   | <i>ha Techo</i> (Certificate of the Physically Disabled) Level 1 or 2<br>ertificate of the Intellectually Disabled) Level 1 to 3, or <i>Seishin</i><br>on Fukushi Techo (Certificate of the Mentally Disabled) Level 1 to 3 | 20   |    |
| 4    |                         | Disability  |   | 14   |    |
|      |                         | Shintai Shogais   | ha Techo (Certificate of the Physically Disabled) Level 4   | 8  |    |
|      | Caregiving /<br>Nursing | Caregiving/   | Caregiving/nursing more than 8 hours/day  | 17   |    |
| 5    |                         | aregiving / Caregiving/nursing more than 6 and less than 8 hours/da | Caregiving/nursing more than 6 and less than 8 hours/day  | 14   |    |
|      |                         |   | Caregiving/nursing more than 4 and less than 6 hours/day  | 11   |    |
| J    |                         |   | Caregiving/nursing more than 8 hours/day  | 14   |    |
|      |                         | nursing<br>16 or more   | Caregiving/nursing more than 6 and less than 8 hours/day  | 11   |    |
|      |                         | days/month  | Caregiving/nursing more than 4 and less than 6 hours/day  | 8  |    |
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|----|--------------------------|--|--|--|----|
|    |                          | Caregiving/                            | Caregiving/nursing more than 8 hours/day   | 11   |    |
|    |                          | nursing<br>12 or more                  | Caregiving/nursing more than 6 and less than 8 hours/day   | 8  |    |
|    |                          | days/month                             | Caregiving/nursing more than 4 and less than 6 hours/day   | 5  |    |
| 6  | Seeking<br>Employment    | Regularly headi                        | ng out during the day to seek employment   | 2  |    |
| 7  | Attending<br>School      | Attending                              | Attending school more than 8 hours/day   | 17   |    |
|    |                          | school<br>20 or more                   | Attending school more than 6 and less than 8 hours/day   | 14   |    |
|    |                          | days/month                             | Attending school more than 4 and less than 6 hours/day   | 11   |    |
|    |                          |  | Attending<br>school<br>16 or more  | Attending school more than 8 hours/day                 | 14 |
|    |                          |  |  | Attending school more than 6 and less than 8 hours/day | 11 |
|    |                          | days/month                             | Attending school more than 4 and less than 6 hours/day   | 8  |    |
| 8  | 8 Childcare<br>Leave     | (however, if you                       | ave and will return to work within the fiscal year<br>are planning to return to work between April 1 and the end of<br>standard index will be applied according to your type of<br>er your return) | 10   |    |
|    |                          | On childcare lea                       | ave  | 8  |    |
| 9  | Disaster                 | If your house ha<br>if you cannot ca   | as been damaged due to fire or other disasters, or<br>re for your child due to disaster recover  | 20   |    |
| 10 | Special<br>Circumstances | In addition to the<br>is necessary fro | e cases listed in the preceding items, cases where social care<br>m the viewpoint of child welfare, etc., and where it is<br>the child is clearly lacking in care                                  | 5 to 22  |    |

\* Working hours include break times.
\* When an enrollment requirement covers two or more items, then the one with the higher standard index will be used.

\* If your number of working days or working hours decreases, judgement will be made based on your work after the decrease (if this happens for an unavoidable reason, please discuss this with us). However, if you are working for more than 6 hours a day or have reduced your working hours by up to two hours a day through the Shorter Working Hours for Childcare system, this will be considered allowable working hours. If, after your child has enrolled, your work situation changes from what is written on your application form, your child may be unenrolled.

### Adjustment Index

| No. | Condition   |   | Adjust.<br>Index |
|-----|---|---|------------------|
| 1   | Households receiving public welfare assistance  |   | +8               |
| 2   | Households where no parents are present (death, incarceration, whereabouts unknown, etc.) |   | +8               |
|     |   | (1) Shintai Shogaisha Techo (Certificate of the Physically<br>Disabled) Level 1 or 2, Ai-no-Techo (Certificate of the<br>Intellectually Disabled) Level 1 to 3, or Seishin Shogaisha<br>Hoken Fukushi Techo (Certificate of the Mentally Disabled)<br>Level 1 to 2  | +12              |
| 3   | When an enrollment application<br>is made for a child with a<br>disability                | (2) <i>Shintai Shogaisha Techo</i> (Certificate of the Physically<br>Disabled) Level 3 or 4, <i>Ai-no-Techo</i> (Certificate of the<br>Intellectually Disabled) Level 4, or <i>Seishin Shogaisha</i><br><i>Hoken Fukushi Techo</i> (Certificate of the Mentally Disabled)<br>Level 3  | +8               |
|     |   | <ul> <li>(3) Other individuals who are deemed to have a disability similar to the above</li> <li>* Applies to individuals who a medical certificate (written opinion) from a doctor, a disability welfare services recipient ID, who attend a special needs class or who receive special needs support while attending regular classes at a Minato City elementary school.</li> </ul> | +4               |
| 4   | If a child living with you has a dis  | ability   | +2               |

| 5  | Households where the main income earner has lost their job and is regularly heading out during the day to get a job offer or to seek employment (excluding single-parent households)  |   |   | +3 |
|----|---|---|---|----|
| 6  | Single-parent households (including households with one parent on job assignment elsewhere)   |   |   | +2 |
| 7  |   | (1) 1st grade elementary school student |   | +6 |
|    | Grade of child in the enrollment<br>application<br>(no adjustment index points for 5th<br>and 6th grade elementary school<br>students)  | (2) 2nd grade ele                       | (2) 2nd grade elementary school student |    |
|    |   | (3) 3rd grade ele                       | mentary school student                  | +2 |
|    |   | (4) 4th grade elementary school student |   | +1 |
| 8  | Households applying for twins or more (limited to the children applying for enrollment)   |   |   | +1 |
| 9  | If self-employed, working from home in an industry that involves hazardous materials, and working while caring for child  |   |   | +1 |
| 10 | Children whose Pupils' Club attendance rate on weekdays in the previous academic year was less than 40% (with the September to November period being set as the standard)   |   |   | -2 |
| 11 | Households caring for a relative in need of caregiving/nursing at a level of 3 to 5, for an individual with a <i>Shintai Shogaisha Techo</i> (Certificate of the Physically Disabled) Level 1 or 2, or for an individual with an <i>Ai-no-Techo</i> (Certificate of the Intellectually Disabled) Level 1 to 2 *Applies only if the household falls under "Caregiving/Nursing" in the Standard Index |   |   | +3 |
| 12 | Individual who works in an embassy, etc., and has not received authorization for activities outside of their visa/stay credentials  |   |   | -3 |
| 13 | Households registered as residents outside of Minato City (excludes cases where resident registration in Minato City is not possible due to unavoidable reasons such as domestic violence)  |   |   | -3 |
|    | Time when the parent returns home<br>(does not apply if parents work at night)  |   | (1) Before 2:30 PM                      | -6 |
| 14 |   |   | (2) Before 4:00 PM                      | -4 |
|    |   |   | (3) Before 5:00 PM                      | -2 |

# Priority Criteria

Should the total of the standard index and the adjustment index be the same for two households, then the enrollment decision will be based on the following priority criteria.

| 1  | The child on the enrollment application is in a low school grade   |
|----|--|
| 2  | Single-parent households/no-parent households  |
| 3  | Households with individual with an illness   |
| 4  | Households with a disabled individual (including disability of the child on the enrollment application)  |
| 5  | Working households   |
| 6  | Children with higher rates of school attendance during the previous academic year (with the September to November period being set as the standard)  |
| 7  | When a child in the same household has already enrolled for the same Pupils' Club  |
| 8  | Households submitting applications for two or more cohabiting children to Pupils' Clubs for which they are eligible to be selected   |
| 9  | Households caring for many children under elementary school age  |
| 10 | Households where the parents have continuously lived in Minato City for many years (*For those registered as a resident outside Minato City due to the City Re-Development Project, the period prior to the temporary move and the period during the temporary move are included in the years of residency). |

### 8 Frequently Asked Questions

#### Duplicate Registration

Q: Is it possible to register for and enroll in Children's Halls, Hoka  $GO \rightarrow$ , and a Pupils' Club?

A: Children may only enroll in one Pupils' Club. Additionally, children may only be registered with one facility, such as a Children's Hall, for direct visits. It is not possible to both enroll in a Pupil's Club and register with a Children's Hall for direct visits.

For general visits to Children's Halls and Hoka  $GO \rightarrow$ , you may register for multiple facilities within the scope of eligibility requirements. While enrolled in a Pupils' Club and registered with a Children's Hall for direct visits, you may also register for general visits at multiple Children's Halls and Hoka  $GO \rightarrow$ .

#### Insurance

#### **Q: Do the facilities have insurance?**

A: Children's Halls, Hoka Go →, and Pupils' Clubs are enrolled in "Group Comprehensive Compensation System Expense Insurance" in case of injuries or accidents during activities or transportation. If you would like to further enhance your coverage, then you may enroll in Sports Safety Insurance (800 yen per year; enrollment is optional). For more details, directly contact each facility.

#### Pupils' Clubs

- Q: I would like to enroll my child in a Pupils' Club in the middle of an academic year. When are applications accepted?
- A: Applications are accepted from one month before the date you wish to enroll your child.

#### Q: Once I apply to enroll in a Pupils' Club, can I immediately use it?

- **A:** Even if there is an available vacancy, it will take about two weeks from the time that you apply until your child can enroll due to confirming the submitted documents and the enrollment selection. However, this does not apply if it is determined that there is an urgent/emergency situation.
- Q: Can I apply to enroll my child in a Pupils' Club even if I do not have more than 48 working hours per month?
- **A:** You cannot apply to enroll your child in a Pupils' Club if you do not have more than 48 workings hours per month.
- Q: I would like to have my child use a Pupils' Club only for summer vacation. Is this possible?
- A: If there is an available vacancy at the Pupils' Club you wish to use, then you may do so.
- Q: Is it possible to use a certificate of employment I obtained when carrying out procedures to apply to a Minato City nursery school?
- A: If the certificate of employment has been issued within four months of the date of application, you can use it (you can also use the form for the procedures for Minato City nursery schools)
- Q: I am a single parent who is self-employed. There are no examples of the documents I need. What should I submit?
- **A:** You may be asked about the details of your work and your family situation, and we may suggest documents to be submitted. Please arrange a discussion with plenty of time before the deadline.
- Q: I am planning to enroll my child in an international school. When can I use the Pupils' Club?
- **A:** Children who will have reached the age of 6 as of April 1, 2025 (born between April 2, 2018 and April 1, 2019) may enroll in a Pupils' Club from April 1.

Additionally, five-year old children who have not yet turned six can enroll in a Pupils' Club from the day they start classes at their international school. For more details, contact the Pupils' Club you are interested in.

#### Q: My child is enrolled in an international school. How are grade points calculated?

- A: The adjustment index will be determined based on your child's date of birth and their Japanese grade level.
- Q: I am applying to enroll my child in an elementary school outside of our school district. Their enrollment hasn't been confirmed yet, but can I apply to use a Hoka GO→ Pupils' Club in that school?
- **A:** As a general rule, you should apply to use the club after the school enrollment decision has been made. At that time, you can submit a copy of the notification of the school decision as proof.

Pupils' Clubs Childcare Fee

#### Q: I did not use the Pupils' Club for one month. Will the childcare fee be refunded?

- A: Regardless of the number of days that your child attends the Pupils' Club, the childcare fee will be charged for as long as your child is enrolled in the Pupils' Club.
- Q: With regards to the childcare fee, will the information for bank transfers that I made arrangements for last year be carried over to this year?
- A: If you have already completed the procedures for bank transfer payments and the same child reenrolls in the Pupils' Club, then that information will be carried over for any.
- Q: With regards to the childcare fee reduction/exemption system, will the information on the reduction/exemption that I applied for in the previous academic year carry over to this year?
- **A:** Fee reduction/exemption information from previous academic years is not carried over. You must make an application for each academic year.

#### Q: What documents do I need to apply for a reduction/exemption in fees?

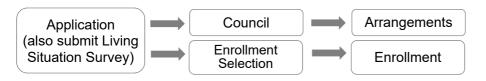
A: Other than the application form to reduce/exempt you from Pupils' Club fees, the documents you need will depend on your circumstances. See the Minato City website for more details.

#### Use by Disabled Children

- Q: Can disabled children use Children's Halls, Kids-to-Teens Halls, Hoka GO→, and Pupils' Clubs?
- A: Disabled children can use all of these facilities. Disabled children can use all of these facilities. Before using the facility you will be asked to submit a Living Situation Survey in advance. This is necessary to prepare the facility's staff and environment so that your child can enjoy safe and secure activities at the facility. Individual interviews will be conducted as necessary with regard to the degree of your child's disability and your living situation.

When accepting a disabled child, the Council on Disabled Children in Minato City Children's Halls will discuss the necessary arrangements for accepting the child. Note that, depending on the situation at a facility or if it takes time to complete necessary arrangements, a facility may not be able to accept your child.

(Example: Procedural flow in the case of a Pupils' Club)



### 9 Other Locations and Services

### Child-Rearing Square "Ai-port" (temporary childcare "Aoba")

| The childcare center at Ai-port will take care of children who require temporary childcare. |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|
| Location  | 2-25-1 Minami Aoyama                           |  |  |
| Eligibility Children 2 months old to 6th grade elementary school                            |  |  |  |
| Registration/Inquiries  | Child-Rearing Square "Ai-port" Tel.: 5786-3250 |  |  |

#### ♦ Dispatch-Style Temporary Childcare

Dispatches childcare workers to the homes of children who require temporary childcare.

| Childcare Location     | Parent's home, etc.  |
|------------------------|--|
| Eligibility            | Children 7 days old to 6th grade elementary school who live in Minato City |
| Registration/Inquiries | Child-Rearing Square "Ai-port" Tel.: 5786-3250                             |

### ◆Babysitter Usage Support Project

For parents who require a babysitter to provide temporary childcare, Minato City will subsidize a portion of the fee for using the babysitter.

| Childcare Location     | Parent's home, etc.  |  |
|------------------------|--|--|
| Eligibility            | Children up to 6th grade elementary school who live in Minato City           |  |
| Registration/Inquiries | Pasona Life Care Inc. (company contracted by Minato City) Tel.: 0120-212-115 |  |

### ♦Twilight Stay

Provides childcare when parents are unable to care for their children at night due to their work or other reasons.

| Location   | 5-18-1-102 Shiba (next to Shiba Nursery School)                |
|--|--|
| Eligibility Children 6 months old to 3rd grade junior high school who live in Minato C |  |
| Registration/Inquiries   | Minato Child-rearing Supporting Center "Pokke" Tel.: 6435-0411 |

### ♦ Short Stay

When parents find it difficult to raise their children due to childbirth, nursing care, business trips, illness, or ceremonial occasions, etc., this service will take care of their children via overnight stays.

| Location               | 5-18-1-102 Shiba (next to Shiba Nursery School)                                |
|------------------------|--|
| Eligibility            | Children 10 months old to 3rd grade junior high school who live in Minato City |
| Registration/Inquiries | Minato Child-rearing Supporting Center "Pokke" Tel.: 6435-0411                 |

### Child-Rearing Support Komusubi (Minato City Family Support Center)

This project connects people who require childcare support (user members) with individuals who can help with childcare (cooperating members), thereby watching over the growth of children throughout the community. Can also be used for transportation to Children's Halls and Pupils' Clubs.

| Activity Location At the home of either the user member or the cooperating member |   |
|---|---|
| (nearby Children's Halls/parks, and pick-ups, etc. are also possible)             |   |
| Eligibility Children 0 years old to 6th grade elementary school                   |   |
| Registration/Inquiries  | Minato Council of Social Welfare Volunteer/Community Activities Support |
|   | Section Tel.: 6230-0284   |

# 10 Inquiries Regarding Children's Halls, Hoka GO→, and Pupils' Clubs

# Please directly contact the facility you wish to use.

#### (Facility contact information)

Refer to the attached "FY2025 List of Minato city Pupils' Clubs".

- \* Contact information for general and direct visits to Children's Halls and Hoka GO→ is the same as for Pupils' Clubs.
- \* Procedures for enrollment and use are completed at each facility.
- \* The contact information for Hoka GO→ Odaiba (a Hoka GO→ Pupils' Club is not available here) is as follows.

| Hoka GO→ Odaiba                         | 1-1-5 Daiba, Minato-ku |
|---|------------------------|
|   | Tel.: 5500-2562        |
| (Operating company: Pasona Foster Inc.) | Fax: 5500-2562         |

#### (Administrative Jurisdiction)

■For Children's Halls, Hoka GO→ Clubs, and Pupils' Clubs:

| Facility Management Subsection,<br>General Administration Section,<br>Shiba Regional City Office          | 1-5-25 Shibakoen, Minato-ku<br>Tel.: 3578-3135 |  |
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| Facility Management Subsection,<br>General Administration Section,<br>Azabu Regional City Office          | 5-16-45 Roppongi, Minato-ku<br>Tel.: 5114-8805 |  |
| Facility Management Subsection,<br>General Administration Section,<br>Akasaka Regional City Office        | 4-18-13 Akasaka, Minato-ku<br>Tel.: 5413-7273  |  |
| Facility Management Subsection,<br>General Administration Section,<br>Takanawa Regional City Office       | 1-16-25 Takanawa, Minato-ku<br>Tel.: 5421-7067 |  |
| Facility Management Subsection,<br>General Administration Section,<br>Shibaura-konan Regional City Office | 1-16-1 Shibaura, Minato-ku<br>Tel.: 6400-0033  |  |

#### **•**For Hoka $GO \rightarrow Odaiba$ :

| Lifelong Learning Subsection,              | 1-5-25 Shibakoen, Minato-ku |
|--|-----------------------------|
| Lifelong Learning Sports Promotion Section | Tel.: 3578-2744             |

#### ■For general information about the system:

| Children and Youth Support Subsection,<br>Children and Youth Support Section,<br>Child and Family Support Department | 1-5-25 Shibakoen, Minato-ku<br>Tel.: 3578-2426 |
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