Kindernetfrankfurt.de is the central municipal portal for the information on and application for child care in the Frankfurt area and thus helps you to find appropriate child care for your children age 0-12. You should apply for any given child care facility (be it publicly, ecclesiastically or independently funded) through the portal.

Unfortunately, the portal is only available in German. Thus, the Equal Opportunities Office at Goethe University Frankfurt am Main created this short guide in English that will help you to find your way through the portal. In the following pages, you will find screenshots of the portal on the ride side with explanations and translations in English on the left side.

Types of childcare available:
- communal daycare centre ("Kita")
- day nursery / crèche
- kindergarten
- after-school care centre
- extended school care centre ("ESB")
- childminders / in-home day care

You should register first and insert your personal data and requirements. Then, you can apply directly through kindernetfrankfurt.de for a child care spot and get an answer from the respective child care providers.
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1. HOW TO CREATE AN ACCOUNT

Please click on the button “Login” in the menu bar and then “Benutzerkonto erstellen” (create user account).

Please register with your E-Mail address and a personal password.

You will get a confirmation via E-Mail.

Please note that you will need to change your password every 3 month. If you forgot your password, you can reset it by clicking on “Neues Kennwort anfordern”.

Once you have logged in, your name will pop up in the menu bar. If you want to change your password later, click on your name in the menu bar and then “Kennwort ändern”. If you want to delete your account, click on “Benutzerkonto löschen” and if you want to log out, choose “Abmelden”.

https://www.kindernetfrankfurt.de/sb/login?
2. HOW TO CREATE A PERSONAL PROFILE AND FILL IN YOUR DATA

After you have logged in, please fill in your personal details.

**Details about parent I**

Title / form of address
First name
Family name
E-Mail
Telephone number
Employment (select: less than 30 hours, more than 30 hours, currently not employed)

- Tick box if you receive financial support from the German government (SGB II)
- Tick box if you are a single parent

Address (select whether you live in Frankfurt (innerhalb) or outside Frankfurt (außerhalb))
House number
Supplement to the house number
Street supplement

[Image of website interface showing personal details input fields]
Details about parent II

Title / form of address
First name
Family name
E-Mail
Telephone number

Employment (select: less than 30 hours, more than 30 hours, currently not employed)

- Tick box if you receive financial support from the German government (SGB II)

Address (select: same address as parent I, other address in Frankfurt, other address outside Frankfurt)
Details about children

Click on “Kinder/Vormerkungen” at the right side in the menu bar and insert your children’s data. You can add further information or explain your family situation in the comment field.

Click on the green box “Neues Kind hinzufügen” if you want to add another child.

If you want to revise the data later, click on the blue bar “Aktionen” and then “Bearbeiten”.

Your children’s data will then appear here.
Details about children

First name
Family name
Sex (select: female ("weiblich") or male ("männlich"))
Date of birth
Needs special assistance (select: yes, no)
Does your child already have a child care spot? (select: yes, in Frankfurt; no; yes, outside Frankfurt)
Mainly spoken language (select: German or not German)
Religion (select: yes, not specified, no)
Space for further details
Address (select: lives with entitled custody, lives in another place in Frankfurt, lives in another place outside Frankfurt)

Save clear
3. HOW TO SEARCH FOR APPROPRIATE CHILD CARE

Click on “Betreuungsangebot” in the menu bar.

You can then browse child care offers and facilities and filter your search according to your requirements:

- Location/neighborhood of child care facility in Frankfurt
  - search outside Frankfurt (If you do not live in Frankfurt, please click here)

- Type of child care
  - Child day care
  - Children until 3
  - Children from the age of 3 up to the start of primary school
  - After-school care center (primary school children)
  - Extended education (primary school children)

- School district (select from the list, you can choose several)
- Type of responsible body (select: municipal, free non-profit, denominational, other)
- Responsible body (select the name of the responsible body in the list)
- Size of facility
- Size of responsible body
- Educational focus / priority (see explanations below)
  - Vacant spots in the next month

Search new search

https://www.kindernetfrankfurt.de/suche?4
-Educational focus / priority
(you can choose several from the list)

- Forest kindergarten
- Educational concepts used by the extended school care centres ("ESB")
- Bilingual facility
- Waldorf education (educational philosophy of Rudolph-Steiner)
- Children and family centre
- Hessian educational plan
- Situational approach
- Open work
- Montessori education
- Reggio education
- Emmi-Pikler education
- Early Excellence
- Facility with experience in care for disabled children
- Focus in music
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Scroll down to see the city map. Click on the coloured icons in the city map in order to see the name of the child care facility, details about the person of contact, opening hours, group size and educational concepts.

Colours indicate the type of child care facility:

- **Care for children until 3**
- **Care for children from the age of 3 up to the start of primary school**
- **After-school care centre**
- **Extended after school care centre (“ESB”)**
- **Daycare centre**
4. HOW TO APPLY

Click on “Suche nach Betreuungsangeboten” in the menu bar on the right side.

Filter your search. Then apply by clicking on the green bar “Vormerkung erstellen”. You can also mark (click on the green bar “markieren”) appropriate child care spots first and make a pre-booking afterwards.

Application for (select child)

- Tick box if siblings already have a spot here

Child of an employee of the child care facility (select: not specified, yes, no)

When your child will start needing care (select a date)

Type of child care (select: half-day care from the age of 3 up to the start of primary school, 2/3 day care from the age of 3 up to the start of primary school, full-time child care from the age of 3 up to the start of primary school)

Comments

Save clear
5. ENROLLMENT PROCESS

The allocation of the available child care spots is decentralized which means that you will get an answer to your application directly from the respective child care facility. Please check your E-Mail account frequently. Once you get an invitation to a contract talk via E-Mail, please log-in to kindernetfrankfurt.de and confirm one of the two dates they will offer you (click on the green bar “Terminvorschlag bestätigen”). If you cancel both options, please contact the child care facility personally in order to schedule a new appointment.

You will sign a written contract with the previous child care facility. Immediately, the child care facility will confirm the enrollment and cancel all other pre-bookings in the portal. If you would like to delete your kindernetfrankfurt.de account, please log in, click on your name in the menu bar and then choose “Benutzerkonto löschen”. You will not receive any further E-Mails and all pre-bookings will be deleted.

Please note that the spots are accounted by the child care facilities themselves. Kindernetfrankfurt.de or the Equal Opportunities Office at Goethe University Frankfurt am Main have no influence on the decisions of the previous facilities.