

Provinces increases funding for child care spaces ^[1]

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Ontario is taking a significant step towards creating 45,000 new licensed child care spaces in schools, communities and other public spaces by funding almost 500 new child care rooms at 188 schools across the province.

As a result of the investment, more than 8,400 children and their families will gain access to high-quality licensed care in a safe, convenient setting. Premier Kathleen Wynne was with Indira Naidoo-Harris, Ontario's Minister Responsible for Early Years and Child Care, at Santa Maria Catholic School in Toronto, where the province is providing more than \$1 million to create two new child care rooms, to announce funding for 2017-18.

As part of a five-year commitment to help 100,000 more children up to the age of four access child care, Ontario is investing up to \$1.6 billion in capital projects alone. This will add an estimated 45,000 new licensed child care spaces in schools and other community settings.

Additionally, the province is increasing operating funding and subsidies to help more children aged 0 to 4 years access quality child care.

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