Guide to support for student parents: College Edition

This is a guide to the support currently provided by colleges in Scotland. It can be used by prospective students to assess which institution has the support they require, by students' associations to focus their campaigning and by institutions themselves to benchmark against other institutions.

For more information on how we collated this information, please see the main report.

Key

Institution does have this	
Could not verify information	? :
Institution does not have this	×

Data

This aspect assess whether institutions collect information on how many students have children.

Policies

Examples of policies could include specifically for students with children, student pregnancy and family leave.

Information online

This could include information about childcare, funding, extra support or support groups.

On campus nursery

For this aspect we assessed whether there is an institution-run nursery on campus or one of the campuses.

Partnership with local nursery

Partnerships go beyond informal links with local childcare providers. To have this there must be an official partnership agreement between the institution and the nursery.

Family accommodation

Accommodation suitable for more than one person and specifically for families.

Breast feeding/child friendly areas

We looked for areas that were specifically designated for breast feeding and children.

Maternity leave allowance

Student should be able to choose the length of their own leave period with the support from the institution.



Ayrshire College

Website: www.ayrshire.ac.uk

Collects data	×	Partnership with local nursery	?:
Policies on student parents	×	Family Accommodation	×
Information for student parents online	×	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	✓
On campus nursery	×	Maternity leave allowance	×

Other: The on-campus nursery closes June 2016. There is a play area in Ayr.

Borders College

Website: www.borderscollege.ac.uk

Collects data	×	Partnership with local nursery	?
Policies on student parents	×	Family Accommodation	×
Information for student parents online	✓	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	æ
On campus nursery	×	Maternity leave allowance	?

Other: Although there doesn't seem to be official partnerships, the college has good working relationships with a wide range of childcare services.

City of Glasgow College

Website: www.cityofglasgowcollege.ac.uk

Collects data	×	Partnership with local nursery	×
Policies on student parents	×	Family Accommodation	×
Information for student parents online	✓	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	✓
On campus nursery	×	Maternity leave allowance	?

Other: In the new City Campus building there will be baby changing facilities and a fridge to store breastmilk.



Dumfries and Galloway College

Website: www.dumgal.ac.uk

Collects data	✓	Partnership with local nursery	?:
Policies on student parents	?	Family Accommodation	×
Information for student parents online	✓	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	?
On campus nursery	×	Maternity leave allowance	?

Other: In 2015/16, there were 1119 full time FE students studying at the college.

Dundee and Angus College

Website: www.dundeeandangus.ac.uk

Collects data	×	Partnership with local nursery	?:
Policies on student parents	?	Family Accommodation	×
Information for student parents online	✓	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	?
On campus nursery	√	Maternity leave allowance	?

Other: There is a nursery at the Arbroath campus.

Edinburgh College

Website: www.edinburghcollege.ac.uk

Collects data	×	Partnership with local nursery	×
Policies on student parents	×	Family Accommodation	×
Information for student parents online	✓	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	✓
On campus nursery	✓	Maternity leave allowance	?

Other: There is a nursery at the Granton campus and a parent room in all campuses.



Fife College

Website: www.fife.ac.uk

Collects data	×	Partnership with local nursery	×
Policies on student parents	×	Family Accommodation	×
Information for student parents online	✓	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	x
On campus nursery	×	Maternity leave allowance	?

Other: Although there is not an official partnership, there are nurseries next to the college.

Forth Valley College

Website: www.forthvalley.ac.uk

Collects data	?	Partnership with local nursery	*
Policies on student parents	×	Family Accommodation	×
Information for student parents online	✓	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	✓
On campus nursery	×	Maternity leave allowance	?

Other: There is a quiet room on campus but it is not specifically for breastfeeding.

Glasgow Clyde College

Website: www.glasgowclyde.ac.uk

Collects data	?	Partnership with local nursery	✓
Policies on student parents	×	Family Accommodation	?
Information for student parents online	✓	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	×
On campus nursery	✓	Maternity leave allowance	?

Other: There are nurseries at Anniesland and Cardonald campuses and a partnership with a nursery at Langside. Students are directed to the first aid room if they would like somewhere private to breastfeed.



Glasgow Kelvin College

Website: www.glasgowkelvin.ac.uk

Collects data	×	Partnership with local nursery	?:
Policies on student parents	?	Family Accommodation	?
Information for student parents online	✓	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	?
On campus nursery	✓	Maternity leave allowance	?

Other: The college has close links with local childcare providers and there is a nursery near the Easterhouse campus.

Inverness College

Website: www.inverness.uhi.ac.uk

Collects data	×	Partnership with local nursery	?:
Policies on student parents	?	Family Accommodation	×
Information for student parents online	✓	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	?
On campus nursery	√	Maternity leave allowance	?

Other: The college website has a lot of useful information about the on-campus nursery.

North East Scotland College

Website: www.nescol.ac.uk

Collects data	×	Partnership with local nursery	?:
Policies on student parents	?	Family Accommodation	×
Information for student parents online	✓	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	æ
On campus nursery	×	Maternity leave allowance	?



New College Lanarkshire

Website: www.nclanarkshire.ac.uk

Collects data	✓	Partnership with local nursery	*
Policies on student parents	?	Family Accommodation	×
Information for student parents online	✓	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	sc
On campus nursery	✓	Maternity leave allowance	?

Perth College

Website: www.perth.uhi.ac.uk

Collects data	✓	Partnership with local nursery	?
Policies on student parents	✓	Family Accommodation	×
Information for student parents online	✓	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	✓
On campus nursery	✓	Maternity leave allowance	?

South Lanarkshire College

Website: www.south-lanarkshire-college.ac.uk

Collects data	×	Partnership with local nursery	?
Policies on student parents	✓	Family Accommodation	×
Information for student parents online	✓	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	✓
On campus nursery	✓	Maternity leave allowance	?

Other: There is a quiet room in the college, though not exclusively used for breastfeeding.



West College Scotland

Website: www.westcollegescotland.ac.uk

Collects data	×	Partnership with local nursery	? :
Policies on student parents	?	Family Accommodation	×
Information for student parents online	✓	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	?
On campus nursery	✓	Maternity leave allowance	?

Other: There are nurseries at the Greenock and Paisley campuses.

West Lothian College

Website: www.west-lothian.ac.uk

Collects data	×	Partnership with local nursery	*
Policies on student parents	×	Family Accommodation	×
Information for student parents online	✓	Breast feeding/child friendly areas	æ
On campus nursery	×	Maternity leave allowance	✓

Other: The college allows four weeks maternity (six weeks if by caesarean) and two weeks paternity leave paid by bursary.

