

Child care resources for employees

Virginia Tech recognizes child care as an essential resource for employees who are expecting or raising children. To grow the quality, affordability, and flexibility of child care options around its campuses, the university launched the **Early Childcare Education Initiatives (ECEI)** which continues to explore new ways to support caregiving families.

ECEI connects employees to resources for:

Care

- Partnerships with <u>five local</u>
 <u>child care centers</u>: 3 in
 Blacksburg, 1 in Pearisburg, 1
 in Roanoke
- Discounts towards <u>Cultural</u>
 Care Au Pair
- <u>List compilations of summer</u>
 <u>camps</u> for school age
 children, updated yearly
- Unlimited premium access to <u>Care.com</u> for finding child care, adult care, pet care, housekeeping, and tutoring
- Finding quality care through university and state resources ("Full Time Child Care" tab)



For more information on caregiving resources at Virgina Tech, visit caregiving.vt.edu

Education

 Monthly Lunch & Learns on caregiving topics. Past speakers have spoken on: raising a child with a disability, school readiness, and choosing quality child care

Work

- Confidential office hours with ECEI, available to all employees, to ask peers questions about being a parent at Virginia Tech
- For faculty, grants for dependent care when traveling for work in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences, and the College of Science (currently being piloted)

Community

- The Working Parents at VT
 Facebook group has up-to-date
 on new resources and connects VT
 employees with each other
- Parent Meetups are great opportunities to connect with VT working parents in-person

