

# Pre-K Classroom Operating and Transportation Calculations

Georgia's Pre-K Grantees receive monthly payments August-May for teacher salary and operating expenses including teacher benefits, classroom, and transportation. To determine how much will be paid each month for Operating Classroom and Transportation, Pre-K Grantees will need to know if they are Metro/Non-Metro, Private/Public, the number of instructional days included on their approved Pre-K calendar, and the number of students enrolled.

*A daily rate is determined by dividing annual Operating Classroom and Transportation amounts by the number of instructional days.*

- **Metro Counties:** Camden, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Hall, Henry, Paulding, and Rockdale
- **Non-Metro Counties:** All other counties not listed as Metro.
- **Private:** Private Programs & Other Public Providers such as privately owned businesses, Head Start Programs, University/Technical College programs, Military bases, etc. (NOT Local School Systems)
- **Public:** Local School Systems

## 2024-2025 Estimated Annual Classroom Operating Rates for a Full Classroom (20)

Program Type	Operating: Classroom	Operating: Transportation
Private Metro	\$35,292.44	\$1,615.60
Private Non-Metro	\$26,913.09	\$1,615.60
Public	\$18,507.63	\$1,615.60

*Note:*

- *Special payments for newly funded classrooms and refurbishment are not included.*
- *Operating Classroom and Transportation portions of the payment are based on full enrollment for August and September payments. October – May payments may be prorated based on student enrollment.*

## How to Calculate Private Metro Classroom Operating and Transportation: Daily/Monthly Rate

### Example:

1. Private early childhood education program in Cobb County
2. Student enrollment = 20
3. 180 instructional days in the approved Pre-K calendar
4. 21 instructional days in the month

### Daily Rate:

**Annual Operating Classroom + Transportation ÷ total number of instructional days = Daily Rate**

$$\$35,292.44 + \$1615.60 \div 180 = \$196.11 \text{ (daily rate)}$$

### Monthly Rate:

**Daily rate x total number of instruction days in the month = Monthly Rate**

$$\$196.11 \times 21 = \$4118.49 \text{ (monthly rate)}$$

## How to Calculate Private Non-Metro Classroom Operating and Transportation: Daily/Monthly Rate

### Example:

1. Private early childhood education program in Lamar County
2. Student enrollment = 20
3. 178 instructional days in the approved Pre-K calendar
4. 22 instructional days in the month

### Daily Rate:

**Annual Operating Classroom + Transportation ÷ total number of instructional days = Daily Rate**

$$\$26,913.63 + \$1615.60 \div 178 = \$160.28 \text{ (daily rate)}$$

### Monthly Rate:

**Daily rate x total number of instruction days in the month = Monthly Rate**

$$\$160.28 \times 22 = \$3,526.08$$

## How to Calculate Local School System Classroom Operating and Transportation: Daily/Monthly Rate

### Example:

1. Local School System
2. Student enrollment = 20
3. 179 instructional days in the approved Pre-K calendar
4. 22 instructional days in the month

### Daily Rate:

**Annual Operating Classroom + Transportation ÷ total number of instructional days = Daily Rate**

$$\$18,507.63 + \$1615.60 \div 179 = \$112.42 \text{ (daily rate)}$$

### Monthly Rate:

**Daily rate x total number of instruction days in the month = Monthly Rate**

$$\$112.42 \times 22 = \$2473.24 \text{ (monthly rate)}$$

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For more information regarding teacher salary and benefits, additional resources are available at <https://www.dec.al.ga.gov/Prek/ProjectDirectors.aspx>.

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