Add eVaka to your phone's home screen and enable notifications

From 21th October 2026, you can add eVaka to your phone's home screen and receive eVaka notifications directly on your phone. When you enable notifications, you will quickly be informed about new messages, decisions and other important matters.
eVaka works in a web browser, so you do not need to download a separate app. The feature is available on both Android and iOS devices (iPhone, iPad).

What is changing?

Important information about your child's early childhood education and care will appear as notifications on your phone. For example, you will receive a notification when:

- the day care centre sends a message or notice
- attendance bookings are missing or a holiday-period survey is about to close
- a new event is added to the calendar
- you need to book a discussion time or the booked time is approaching
- you receive a new decision or document.

When you tap the notification, eVaka opens directly to the relevant item, such as the message or calendar.

Email notifications will continue to work as before. On the Personal information page, you can choose for each notification type whether you want to receive it by email, on your phone, through both channels or not at all.

How to enable the feature

Android phone

- If you have already added eVaka to your home screen, remove the old icon.
- Open eVaka in the Chrome browser at https://evaka.nokiankaupunki.fi/login and sign in.
- Tap “Add eVaka to home screen” when eVaka suggests it. You can also select “Install app” or “Add to Home screen” from the browser menu.
- Open eVaka using the icon on the home screen.
- Tap “Enable” and allow notifications when your phone asks for permission.

We recommend using the Chrome browser on Android phones. In other browsers, the activation steps may differ from these instructions, or the browser may display a warning when eVaka is added to the home screen.

iPhone or iPad

- If you have already added eVaka to your home screen, remove the old icon.
- Open eVaka in the Safari browser at https://evaka.nokiankaupunki.fi/login and sign in.
- Tap the Share icon in the browser.
- Scroll down in the Share menu and select “Add to Home Screen”. Then tap “Add”.
- Open eVaka using the new icon on the home screen and sign in again.
- Tap “Enable” and allow notifications when your phone asks for permission.

Note: On iPhone, notifications work only when you use eVaka via the home screen icon. Notifications do not work if you use eVaka in a Safari tab.

Test the notifications by tapping “Send test notification”. You can also find the instructions and notification settings later on the Personal information page.

Frequently asked questions

Do I need to download an app from an app store?

- No. eVaka is added to your phone’s home screen directly from the browser.

Will I continue to receive email notifications?

- Yes, if you wish. On the Personal information page, you can choose for each notification type whether you want to receive it by email, on your phone, through both channels or not at all.

Will I receive notifications even when I am not signed in to eVaka?

- Yes. Notifications are sent to the device on which you enabled them, even when you are not signed in to eVaka.

Can two guardians receive notifications on the same phone?

- No. Only one person’s notifications can be active on a device at a time. If another person signs in to eVaka on the same device, notifications for the previous person will stop. Each guardian can enable notifications on their own phone.

I am not receiving notifications. What should I do?

- Make sure that you open eVaka using the home screen icon and that you have allowed notifications. If you accidentally blocked notifications, allow them in your phone settings:
    - iPhone: Settings > Notifications > eVaka > Allow Notification
    - Android: Settings > Apps > eVaka > Notifications

How do I stop notifications?

- You can disable notifications separately for each device on the Personal information page. On the same page, you can also choose which matters you want to receive notifications about.