

The Parent + Child Office

At the KIT, no woman and no man should have to decide between career and family. Individual solutions are offered which will make the two options compatible. One of them is the Parent + Child Office.

What is the Parent + Child Office?

The Parent + Child Office is an equal-opportunity measure initiated by the KIT in the interest of furthering the compatibility of work and family for KIT employees. It is a pilot project continuously optimized and adapted to requirements.

At the Parent + Child Office, KIT employees can work at a desk equipped with a PC, telephone, and internet access. At the same time, this offers a possibility for child care. Of course, the room can only be a makeshift solution, no alternative to regular child care.

For whom has the Parent + Child Office been established?

The Parent + Child Office is available to all KIT employees with a child or children in need of care for short-term emergency situations. It allows pregnant women to withdraw for periods of rest, and nursing mothers to feed their babies.

When may employees use the Parent + Child Office?

Parents faced with short-term emergencies requiring child care may bring their children to work. Here are some examples of such emergencies: The day nurse may not be available; lessons at school may have been canceled; the nursery school may be closed; there may be nobody to take care of a child. The Parent + Child Room has facilities to organize business affairs, work on e-mails, and use the telephone to find a child care solution. Parents need not stay away from work for these reasons.

The adjacent room is large enough for meetings of up to eight persons. It is equipped with a telephone, internet connection, a conference table and chairs. A beamer can be provided when needed.

What facilities are available at the Parent + Child Office?

There are a baby's changing table and a child's bed, toys for children of various ages, a play castle with a place for cuddling and, outside the room, a sandbox protected from the sun.

A water cooker and a heater for baby bottles can be provided to parents on request.

Where is the Parent + Child Office?

The Parent + Child Office (Eltern-Kind-Büro, EKB) is located in building No. 226 on the KIT Campus North. It can be found opposite the "nanos!" KiTa outside the enclosed KIT grounds not accessible to children. Access to the Parent + Child Office therefore is only from outside the campus.

Formalities of use

Parents can announce their requirement by calling the Deputy Equal Opportunities Officer, Ms. Biserka Mathes, phone 28128. Ms. Mathes is responsible for arranging the use of the Parent + Child Office (Rules of Use, delivery of keys). Housekeeping rules in the Parent + Child Office should be observed in the interest of all users.

The parent in charge present at the Office is responsible for supervising the child.