

What is a Family Child Care Provider?

Family Child Care (FCC) Providers are individuals who operate child care programs in their own homes rather than in a separate location. There are two types of FCC providers (see chart below).

FCC providers are an important part of the child care network in our community. Stark County has approximately 50 licensed Family Child Care providers striving to offer quality care for children.



Types of FCC providers:

Types of FCC Providers	Type A	Type B
License Capacity	Up to 12 children	Up to 6 children
Licensing App Fee	\$250.00	\$250.00
Staff Member(s)	Requires at least one	Not required
Additional Building Requirements	Zoning approval Fire Inspection	N/A

Chart is not all-inclusive and is subject to change.

Stark County Job & Family Services

Human Services Division

221 3rd Street S.E.
Canton, OH 44702
Cash, Food & Medical Assistance
Customer Service: 330.451.8861
Customer Service e-mail:
stark_csc@jfs.ohio.gov
New Applications: 330.451.8500
Child Care: 330.452.4661

Children Services Division

402 2nd Street S.E.
Canton, OH 44702
Child Abuse/Neglect Report Line:
330.455.KIDS
Foster/Adopt:
330.451.8789

Child Support Division

221 3rd Street S.E.
Canton, OH 44702
Customer Service: 330.451.8930
Payment information:
jfs.ohio.gov/ocs

SCJFS Executive Offices

221 3rd Street S.E.
Canton, OH 44702
330.452.4661



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Become a Licensed Ohio JFS Family Child Care Provider

Type A or Type B

Human Services Division



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How to Begin

Family Child Care (FCC) providers are licensed through the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS). Resources and information can be found on the ODJFS website at: jfs.ohio.gov/cdc/providers.htm This website also contains links to resources for providers, including the OAC rules and ODJFS Forms Central.

In Stark County, licensed programs are inspected by Stark County Job and Family Services (SCJFS) before and after receiving a license in order to verify compliance with state and federal requirements. In addition, all child care programs are investigated in response to complaints received through ODJFS and SCJFS.

For more information, or to get started, contact the ODJFS Child Care Help Desk at 1-877-302-2347, option 4, or by email at: childcarepolicy@jfs.ohio.gov or:

Stark County JFS Licensing Unit
KrisAnne Lawson, ERS2/Licensing
Phone: 330/451-8515
Email: KrisAnne.Lawson@jfs.ohio.gov



Important Information

Training

All FCC providers and staff members must complete certain required trainings prior to caring for children. An additional six hours of professional development training must be completed annually. Find the OAC rules and required trainings online at: <http://codes.ohio.gov/oac/5101%3A2>

The Ohio Child Care Resource and Referral Agency (OCCRRA) maintains the Ohio Professional Registry (OPR) at www.occrra.org which is a registration portal for approved trainings.

Rules & Regulations

All FCC providers are responsible to access and implement the OAC rules for Family Child Care, OAC 5101: 2-13, and to complete all required trainings and forms.

Step Up to Quality (SUTQ)

SUTQ recognizes programs that provide quality early learning experiences for children. Find more information at: www.earlychildhoodohio.org

Ohio Child Licensing and Quality System (OCLQS)

The new OCLQS was implemented in January 2017. All licensing transactions take place in this system. Desk aids are available on the SUTQ website above.

Role of Stark County JFS

Your SCJFS Licensing Specialist will:

- Inspect your home at least two times per state fiscal year. At least one inspection must be unannounced.
- Clearly explain any non-compliances and what must be done to correct them.
- Offer guidance and clarification regarding the requirements for licensure.
- Submit recommendations to ODJFS for your license.

Licensure offers:

- Ability to receive payment from ODJFS for families receiving child care assistance.
- Exposure to families seeking child care through ODJFS, OCCRRA, and SCJFS provider listings.
- Opportunity to apply for other accreditations and participate in the USDA Child and Adult Care Food Program.

Did you know?

- Unlicensed home daycares are limited by law to no more than six children in care at one time, no matter how many adults are present. This includes the provider's children under age six.
- One adult can care for up to six children, with no more than three under the age of two.