

Caregiver News

Publication of Sullivan County Child Care Council, Inc. for those who care for, educate, and nurture the young child.

Start a Garden this Spring

There are so many different kinds of gardens you can grow with your kids this spring! Gardening is a great way for kids to learn about how things grow, healthy eating and how delicious it is to eat food you have grown yourself!! Here are some ideas for you to start a garden in your program this year:

- Let each child grow a different herb or fruit in a bucket. Let them tend to the plant and water the plant so they can be amazed by what they have grown!
- Use an old sandbox to plant a summer garden! Clean it out and fill with soil and vegetables. Let the children water all season and harvest what they have grown!
- Start an ice cream cone garden! Place good quality potting soil in regular flat bottomed cones and add seed and water. When you get seedlings, plant the whole cone outdoors and care for as you would any regular plant!



**HAPPY SPRING AND
HAPPY PLANTING!**



Program Development

Children spend their most critical developmental years with YOU, their childcare provider.

Staying up to date on early childhood development, environmental settings and age appropriate practices, can literally change a child's life.

Check out the following resources to help you develop your program and remind you how important YOU are to the future of these children:

- **Earlychildhood.org**
- Environment Rating Scale- <https://ers.fpg.unc.edu/>
- National Association for the Education of Young Children- <https://www.naeyc.org/>
- National Association for Family Childcare- <https://www.nafcc.org/>
- Council on Children and Families- <https://www.ccf.ny.gov/>
- Winning Beginning- <http://winningbeginningny.org/>
- Early Childhood Education and Training Program- <https://www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/Videolibrary/VideoLibraryList.aspx>

This list was drawn from the Office of Children and Family Services provider page.

To Our Providers...

May 10, 2019 is provider appreciation day. And while we appreciate you every single day of the year, we want to extend an extra thank you for all the difficult yet extremely important work you do for the children of Sullivan County every day.

You are helping our children build strong and healthy foundations. You are allowing the parents of Sullivan County to go to work, worry-free and keep their jobs. You work long days and always have a smile on your face and treat the children as if they were your own.

You give so much of yourselves to your community, your parents and especially the children. Our agency is honored to stand behind you and guide you through your journey as a Sullivan County provider. You surely don't hear this enough, but you are important, you are valued and you are an integral part of our community.

With Much Love,

**The Staff at the Sullivan
County Child Care Council**

Our website is getting a **NEW LOOK!** Please be patient while we get it up and running. In the meantime, call us at the Council at (845) 292-7166 anytime!

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Featured Agency:
Safe Homes of Orange County
Sullivan County Program
Submitted by : Kodi Haney

SAFE HOMES CAN BE REACHED ANONYMOUSLY 24 HOURS A DAY AT (845) 292-5700

Did you know that 1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men will experience physical abuse by an intimate partner in their lifetime or that 1 in 3 youth will experience abuse by a partner before their 18th birthday?

Did you know that on average, 20 people per minute are physically abused by an intimate partner?

Did you know the average age of exploitation for survivors of trafficking is 13 years old with 77% of all perpetrators being family members, friends or individuals that the victim knew? These statistics shed light on the little known crisis of domestic violence and human trafficking. Safe Homes is the only private, not-for-profit agency in Orange and Sullivan Counties dedicated to assisting survivors of domestic violence, teen-dating violence, and human trafficking by providing free and confidential services. Safe Homes' mission is to work toward the elimination of intimate partner violence, teen dating violence, and trafficking by providing comprehensive support services to victims and their children, and by increasing public awareness about these issues, and encouraging accountability for perpetrators.

Safe Homes of Orange County was founded in 1986 and envisions itself as the region's leading authority and key agent of change for victims, their families, and our community. Since the beginning, the organization has grown into a comprehensive support agency, with reach into multiple agencies throughout the region, including Child Protective Services, Department of Social Services and various police agencies. In 2018, Safe Homes spearheaded a new program to include direct services to survivors within Sullivan County as well as education and outreach.

Domestic violence is a pattern of abusive behaviors used to gain and maintain power and control over a current or former intimate partner. Abuse is never random or a symptom of anger, mental illness or drug or alcohol addiction. Rather it is a calculated effort to maintain power and control over someone else by using a variety of abuse tactics, including - emotional, verbal, financial, technological, sexual and physical abuse. Through the careful coordination of abusive behaviors and manipulation, abusers create situational webs which become extremely difficult to break free from.

It is important for community members to understand that leaving an abusive relationship is not the only option; nor is it not a simple process. Leaving takes time, coordination and careful safety planning. What we know is that the first several months following survivors' efforts to leave are the most dangerous, as abusers often go to extremes to regain their power and control over their former partner. Trusting and empowering survivors to make their own decisions about their relationship is critical, even when that decision is to stay in a relationship with the abusive partner.

Safe Homes operates a 24-hour crisis hotline where survivors are able to connect with trained advocates for emotional support, safety planning, connection to other services, and advocacy. While advocates never mandate a survivor to leave an abusive relationship, Safe Homes operates a 17-bed shelter with 24-hour staffing in a confidential location. Safe Homes advocates are able to provide court accompaniment and advocacy, including drafting petitions such as orders of protection and custody, to survivors, in addition to our thriving partnership with Legal Services of the Hudson Valley. Safe Homes has positioned advocates within multiple different systems including the Department of Social Services, the District Attorneys Office, Child Protective Services and multiple police departments to better support survivors. Safe Homes also provides free community and youth education to increase public awareness and work towards eliminating intimate partner violence from our communities.

Safe Homes is constantly growing and evolving. We are always looking for new opportunities to collaborate and partner with individuals or organizations to make our communities a safer place for all of us. As we listen to survivors' feedback, we often hear that "one thing" or "one person" made a difference in their journey; all of us have the potential to be that one thing in a survivor's life. If you or someone you know is being impacted by domestic violence, teen dating violence or human trafficking, there is help. For more information please visit safehomesorangecounty.org or call our hotline at 845-292-5700 (Sullivan) or 845-562-5340 (Orange) to connect with an advocate.



Intensive Technical Assistance

The Council offers intensive technical assistance to enhance your knowledge/skills. Individualized training can be set up to address your program needs in one session or multiple session workshops (conducted at your home during a convenient time for your program).

Consider the following topics, or choose your own:

- "Creating a Positive Environment"**
- "Benefiting from Family Style Eating"**
- "Age Appropriate Room Arrangements"**
- "Supervision"**
- "Gross Motor with Indoor & Outdoor Play"**
- "Ideas for Better Nutrition & Physical Activity"**
- "Learning through Nature"**
- "Picky Eaters"**
- "Creating Theme Curriculum"**

Contact us at info@scchildcare.com to request a session or for more information call Aimee Pittaluga at (845) 292-7166 x 306.

This free service is funded by NYSOCFS.

OCFS Child Care Forms

Required OCFS forms are available at:

<http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/documents/docsChildCare.asp>

Don't forget to order your NEW versions of the blue card!!!

Print new ones directly from the website as needed, or go to <http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/documents/docs%20Pubs.asp> and you can order free copies of all OCFS Forms using the order form.

QUALITYstarsNY

QUALITYstarsNY is a voluntary five-star "rating system" for providers much like those used for hotels and restaurants, with the number of stars indicating the quality of an early care and learning program. However, unlike other rating systems, QUALITYstarsNY provides an infrastructure for assessing, improving and communicating the quality of care provided by early learning programs.

Currently there are NO programs in Sullivan County that have been given a QualitystarsNY rating. Please visit:

<http://qualitystarsny.org/index.php>

Click "Interested in Applying" to start the process of becoming the **first** program in Sullivan County to gain this prestigious credential!

Message from Donna Willi, Executive Director

Dear Friends to Childcare,

Lots of exciting things are happening in our County and we here at the Council are working tirelessly to keep up. Our economic development has caused, as expected, a rise in the need for childcare in not only the usual child care deserts but throughout Sullivan County. Some of the larger employers are beginning to explore options so that they may offer child care to their staff and the community at large. This is very exciting news!

Additionally, some of you may have had the opportunity to work with our ITA (Intensive Technical Assistance) Specialist, Aimee or our Regional Infant Toddler Specialist in the past, but the good news is Sullivan County now has their very own Infant Toddler Specialist available to all child care providers at NO cost (see page 5 for more info)! These specialists have been working with children and families for many years and have many great ideas to share with our childcare programs. This support can come in many different forms and is specific to each individual child, provider and program and completely voluntary, no pressure, just help. Give us a call to find out more!

Good things are happening, be a part of it!

**Yours in Child Care –
Donna**

Early Care & Learning Council Management Training

ECLC's Early Care Management Training, New Director's Institute and workshops support child care center directors in all counties across the state by training both new and experienced childcare center directors in all topics essential to running a safe, high quality program.

Directing a child care center is a complex and demanding job. Directors must have an in-depth understanding of how to provide children with high quality, developmentally appropriate early care and learning experiences. At the same time, they must master an array of skills needed to operate their centers efficiently.

Supported by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS), the Early Care & Learning Council's Management Training workshops provide training and technical assistance designed to help center directors meet these challenges. These programs are offered to all center directors and CCR&R staff members at no cost. Look for 2019 dates at:

<https://www.earlycareandlearning.org/trainings.html>.

Medication Administration Training (MAT)

Only topical ointments, sunscreens and repellents are legally permitted to be applied in a child care setting without a license or registration to administer medication.

To sign up for MAT please email info@scchildcare.com or call the Council (845) 292-7166 x309.

MAT grant applications (up to \$100 reimbursement) can be obtained online at www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/mat.shtm or contact the SUNY MAT Grant Program at 800-295-9616 or mat@pdp.albany.edu.

MAT Approved Programs

The following providers hold a license/registration to administer medication:

Best Friends Services, Inc.

Jessica Dean

Early Childhood Cooperative Experience

Easter Seals of New York, Inc.

Deborah Gubiotti

J&C First Steps Daycare, LLC: Diane Harvey

Nana's House Child Care Center, Inc.

New Hope Manor

Marlena's Family Daycare: Marlena Pittaluga-Egan

Twin Bridge Play School Inc.

Sullivan County Head Start, Inc. (All locations)

Little Rainbows Daycare

Medication Administration

Obtain your MAT Certification or Renewal through an independent study program plus testing with a SUNY MAT instructor.

You **must renew your MAT Certificate every 3 years, PRIOR to the expiration date!!**

Please visit the following website for specific information and direction on renewing your MAT Certificate www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/mat.shtm

You may also contact the Council at (845) 292-7166 or info@scchildcare.com.

Child & Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

New CACFP Participants:

Cheyona Brown

Camille Grant

Karen Siegel

**For more information call:
Aimee Pittaluga, CACFP Coordinator
(845) 292-7166 x 306.**



Thank you to our Sullivan County Child Care Council CACFP participants. Teaching our children good eating habits during their crucial years of development. The providers that participate within our agency is as follows:

Thank you for all you do !

Elizabeth Acosta	Terri Pellan
Amy Babicz	Kristy Petrowsky
Darlene Balzano	Karen Pinkel
Cheyona Brown	Marlena Pittaluga-Egan
Jessica Dean	Luz Quinones
Tonya Dirie	Rachel Rausch
Camille Grant	Ellie Reed
Deborah Gubiotti	Katherine Reynolds
Diane Harvey	Elizabeth Rivera
Angela Martinez	Wanda Rodriguez
Patricia McGovern	Karen Siegel
Faith Metzinger	Deborah Stack
Deborah Strachan	Gianni Stoddard
Cassandra White	Jennifer Williams

Happy CACFP Week!

Infant/Toddler Services for Providers

Infant/Toddler Technical Assistance Center

Sullivan County has exciting news! We have recently been given the funding to employ our own Infant Toddler Specialist to serve all of the childcare programs in Sullivan County FREE of charge! Most of you have built a relationship with Kelsey over the years through her work with subsidy clients and referral counseling and she will now be our very own Infant Toddler Specialist! Available services and more information can be found below. Call the Child Care Council anytime or email Kelsey at kstoddard@scchildcare.com to request services for your program!

The Infant/Toddler Technical Assistance Network, funded by the NYSOCFS, is an initiative aimed at supporting high quality infant and toddler care. The Network offers support to programs serving infants and toddlers.

The Infant/Toddler Specialist can offer the following ongoing services for **FREE** in Sullivan County:

- Phone and in-person support on a variety of issues:
 - Age appropriate behavior management techniques
 - Responsive care giving
 - Understanding the NYS Child Care Regulations
 - Developmentally appropriate practice for infants & toddlers
 - Infant and toddler development and behavior
 - Assistance answering parent questions about their infant or toddler
- Visits to your program to work on a quality improvement project
- Resources or tip sheets
- Starting up your infant/toddler program including help setting up your space
- Assistance with continuity of care classroom waivers
- Assistance with freedom of movement certification for "container free" program

We are so excited to be bringing this service into Sullivan County and look forward to hearing from you soon!!

FAMILY DAYCARE PROVIDERS

Be on the lookout for correspondence regarding our new **Family Daycare Association!!** You will receive a formal invitation to our quarterly meetings where you will network and collaborate with other FDC providers in your area and receive **ONE HOUR OF FREE TRAINING.**

Webcast Trainings

ecetp.pdp.albany.edu

Webcasts are held at the **Sullivan County Child Care Council in Liberty**; classes start promptly at 6:45. These are adult learning experiences; *no children, please.*

2019 Webcast Trainings

- April 11, 2019 6:45pm: Nutrition
- July 16, 2019 6:45pm: Child Abuse and Maltreatment
- November 6, 2019 6:45pm: Safety

To sign up or for the most current brochure, go to:
www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/webcasting.aspx.

Videoconference trainings are funded by the NYSOCFS. They are produced by the Early Childhood Education and Training Program and are conducted in English.

Online Training

NYSOCFS/PDP Online Trainings—FREE!

www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/learn.aspx

Fully narrated courses. Learning points of the training are enhanced throughout using video clips and interactive exercises. Application saves progress every 10-15 minute section, and allows you up to 30 days to complete the entire course.

Available Courses:

Course Title	Hours	OCFS Topics	CDA Areas
Early Intervention	1.5	1, 4	3, 4, 7, 8
Emergency Preparedness	1.5	4, 7	1, 4, 5
Expulsion & Suspension Prevention Strategies	1.5	1, 3, 4, 7	3, 4, 6
Family Engagement	1.0	3, 4	4, 5, 6
Foundations in Health & Safety	5.0	2, 3, 6, 7, 9	NA
Keeping Children Safe	1.5	1, 3, 4, 7	1, 2, 8
Infant Brain Development	1.0	1, 3	2, 3
Mandated Reporter Training	2.0	5, 6, 8	NA
Managing Challenging Behavior	1.5	1	1, 3
Obesity Prevention	2.0	2	1
Preventing SBS	1.0	1, 9	1, 3, 4
Preventing SIDS & Promoting Safe Sleep	1.0	1, 3, 4, 7	1, 3, 4, 8
School Age Child Care	1.5	1, 3, 4	1, 5, 8
Supervision of Children	1.5	4	1
Transportation	2.0	3, 4, 7	1, 4, 5

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
March 2019					1 Submit CACFP claim	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 Daylight Savings SPRING AHEAD!	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 Saint Patrick's Day Start of CACFP WEEK	18	19	20 Spring begins!	21	22	23
24 31	25	26	27	28	29	30

Find EIP approved training and register at www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/FindTraining.aspx.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 April Fools Day Submit CACFP claim	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 SUNY-Nutrition	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 Good Friday	20
21 Easter	22 Earth Day	23	24	25	26	27
28 Birth and Baby Fest	29	30	April 2019			

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 2019			1 Submit CACFP claim	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10 Provider Appreciation Day *****	11
12 Mother's Day	13	14 First Aid/CPR 4:30pm-9:30pm @ Council	15	16	17	18 Armed Forces Day
19	20 Health and Safety 9:00am-4:30pm	21 Health and Safety 9:00am-1:00pm	22	23 Health and Safety 9:00am-4:30pm	24 Health and Safety 9:00am-1:00pm	25
26	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	

CDA CONTENT AREAS

1. Planning a safe, healthy, learning environment
2. Steps to advance children's physical and intellectual development
3. Positive ways to support children's social and emotional development
4. Strategies to establish productive relationships with families
5. Strategies to manage an effective program operation
6. Maintaining a commitment to professionalism
7. Observing and recording children's behavior
8. Principles of child development and learning

CORE COMPETENCY AREAS

1. Child Growth and Development
2. Family and Community Relationships
3. Observation and Assessment
4. Environment and Curriculum
5. Health, Safety and Nutrition
6. Professionalism and Leadership
7. Administration and Management

OCFS TOPICS

1. Principles of Child Development
2. Nutrition and Health Needs of Infants and Children
3. Program Development
4. Safety and Security Procedures
5. Business Record Maintenance and Management
6. Child Abuse and Maltreatment Identification & Prevention
7. Statutes and regulations pertaining to child daycare
8. Statutes & regs pertaining to Child Abuse & Maltreatment
9. Shaken Baby syndrome

Thinking about becoming a childcare provider? Or are you a current provider that needs a refresher? The Child Care Council is offering a H +S class in May and we would love to have you. Call Lee at (845) 292-7166x302 with any questions.

Course Title	Hrs/ CEU's	Cost/ Reduced Cost	OCFS Topics	CDA Areas	CBK Areas
First Aid / CPR	5	\$75	2, 4	—	5
Health & Safety Training	15/ 1.5	\$250	2,4,5, 6,7,8,9	TBA	TBA

Educational Incentive Program (EIP)

EIP is sponsored by the NYSOCFS, funded by the federal Child Care & Development Fund and administered by the Professional Development Program (PDP), Rockefeller College, University at Albany.

The following grants & scholarships are available to child care providers:

- **College Credit, Non-Credit Bearing & Credential Training:** to assist child care providers in paying for professional development training & education
- **Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) & First Aid (FA):** to assist income eligible providers offset the cost
- **The MAT Rebate Program:** For child care facilities to offset the cost of the training to certify staff to administer medication in a child care setting.

Apply online at: www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu/apply.aspx. You may also contact EIP by email ateip-to@albany.edu, or by phone at either (800) 295-9616 or (518) 442-6575.

Focus on the Regulations

Review Regulations @ ocfs.ny.gov

(c) The program must maintain on file at the family day care home, available for inspection by the Office or its designees at any time, the following records in a current and accurate manner:

(1) a copy of the evacuation plan, evacuation drills, and shelter-in-place drills conducted, on forms furnished by the Office or approved equivalents, as required in sections 417.4 and 417.5 of this Part;

(2) an approved health care plan on forms furnished by the Office, as required in section 417.11 of this Part;

(3) the name, address, gender, and date of birth of each child and each child's parents names, addresses, telephone numbers and place(s) at which parents or other persons responsible for the child can be reached in case of an emergency;

(4) the names and addresses of persons authorized to take the child(ren) from the family day care home;

(5) daily attendance records that are filled out at the time a child arrives and departs, and must include arrival and departure times;

(6) children's health records, including parental consents for emergency medical treatment; child's medical statement and immunizations; any available results of lead screening; the name and dosage of any medications used by a child and the frequency of administration of such medications; and a record of illnesses, injuries occurring while in care, and any indicators of child abuse or maltreatment;

(7) medical statements for the provider, assistant(s), and substitute(s) completed, as required in section 417.11 of this Part;

(8) a medical statement regarding the health of all persons residing in the family day care home, as required in section 417.11 of this Part;

(9) a plan of program activities, as required in section 417.7 of this Part;

(10) a report of inspection and approval performed within the 12 months preceding the date of the application for registration or renewal by a qualified person of wood or coal burning stove, fireplace, pellet stoves or permanently installed gas space heater in use at the home;

(11) where a program uses a private water supply:

(i) a report from a State-licensed laboratory or individual, based on tests performed within the 12 months preceding the date of application and every two years thereafter, showing that the water meets standards for drinking water established by the New York State Department of Health; or

(ii) if the water does not meet such standards, a description of how water for all purposes will be provided by another method acceptable to the Department of Health;

(12) a list of assistants and substitutes who are available and approved to care for the children in the family day care home when the provider or assistant must be absent;

(13) a daily schedule documenting the arrival and departure times of each caregiver, employees and volunteers;

(14) documentation of training sessions attended in accordance with section 417.14 of this Part;

(15) when the family day care registration is issued to an entity, other than a sole proprietorship, the following additional documentation is required:

(i) a copy of the certificate of incorporation, partnership agreement, or articles of organization and any amendments thereto;

(ii) verification of filing of the certificate of incorporation, partnership agreement or articles of organization and any amendments thereto with the Secretary of State

Congratulations

to our newest registered child care provider:



Camille Grant



Dear Jodi

Dear Jodi,

I am a family day care provider with no assistants or substitutes. Do I need to sign in and out of my program every day?

Confused

Dear Confused,

Yes, each caregiver, employee and volunteer must sign in out of your program. This includes you as the on site -provider. Please refer to regulation 417.15(c) (13). This is in addition to visitor sign in/ out. Which also must be kept current with each person who enters your program.

Jodi

From the Desk of the Registrar

Dear Providers,

You recently received a Dear Provider letter that contains information clarifying the following regulation. Just to reiterate, ALL program employees are required to have 30 hours of training in a two year period. **This includes substitutes. There will be no prorating of hours based on time spent.** Please begin scheduling trainings for your substitutes as soon as possible as we are unsure of when this will become a violation if not complied with.

Also, new Blue Registration Cards are in. Please let me know if you need them to update your files. Stay warm and thank you for all you do,

**Susan Sennett
Registrar**

"If children feel safe, they can take risks, ask questions, make mistakes, learn to trust, share their feelings, and grow." ~ Alfie Kohn

Child Care Time & Attendance (CCTA)

Please help us welcome our newest web-based users:

Camille Grant
 Childrens Safe Stay
 Francisca Laureano
 Pamelas Creative Corner
 Prime Time Child Care Center

Submit your timesheets online with the Child Care Time & Attendance (CCTA) System!

We encourage all providers to submit timesheets through the web-based system, CCTA.

There are several **benefits to using CCTA** web-based provider portal such as:

- ⇒ Eliminate the cost of shipping, mailing and purchasing paper products and postal supplies.
- ⇒ Eliminate time delay of using the postal service.
- ⇒ TRACK PAYMENTS ON A DAILY BASIS.

It is recommended to use Internet Explorer on desktops or laptops. Most iPads and other hand held tablets are not supported by this system

****REMINDER – ALL timesheets have a 60 expiration date from the last date of service. ANY TIMESHEETS that are RECEIVED AFTER the 60 expiration date (electronically or paper) will be RETURNED to provider as NOT PAYABLE****

If you are interested in submitting your timesheets online or have any other questions or concerns, please call Lee at (845) 292-7166 x302.

NY Works for Children/ASPIRE

What The Aspire Registry can do for you:

- Provide you with a free online professional portfolio
- Keep a record of your education, employment, and professional development all in one place
- Help you find and register for training and professional development

What The Aspire Registry can do for the early childhood field:

- Bring increased recognition, professionalism, and compensation to the early childhood field
- Collect important data to influence policy decisions

As always, please feel free to reach out to us with any specific questions about The Aspire Registry by emailing us at info@nyworksforchildren.org.

Legally Exempt News

Mandatory/Required Health & Safety for Legally Exempt Providers

You are **ONLY** exempt if you are the child/ren's:

- Grandparent or Great-grandparent,
- Sibling AND living in a separate residence
- Aunt/Uncle

There are two OCFS approved training options:

1. Online "e-Learning"—Foundations in Health & Safety
 - ⇒ FREE
 - ⇒ Self paced
 - ⇒ Go to www.ecetp.pdp.albany
2. Classroom training: Health & Safety for Legally Exempt providers
 - ⇒ \$210.00
 - ⇒ Training dates to be announced; Contact Lee at the Council (845) 292-7166 X302 for more information

***Remember to submit a copy of your certificate to Lee**
 at lbrown@scschildcare.com
 or PO Box 186 Ferndale, NY 12734.

No payments will be issued if training requirements are not met within application period.

Legally Exempt Child Care Rates

Standard Without training	Under 2 yrs	2 yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
Weekly	\$98	\$98	\$98	\$93
Daily	\$21	\$20	\$20	\$20
Part Day	\$14	\$13	\$13	\$12
Hourly	\$3.25	\$3.25	\$3.25	\$3.25

Enhanced With training	Under 2 yrs	2 yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
Weekly	\$105	\$105	\$105	\$100
Daily	\$23	\$21	\$21	\$21
Part Day	\$15	\$14	\$14	\$14
Hourly	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50

LE Group Child Care	Under 2 yrs	2 yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
Weekly	\$0	\$0	\$135	\$128
Daily	\$0	\$0	\$29	\$28
Part Day	\$0	\$0	\$19	\$19
Hourly	\$0	\$0	\$5.63	\$5.25

NYS DMV

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS: SAFETY RESTRAINTS

Are child safety seats and child restraint systems required in New York State?

Yes. New York State law requires that

- all children under the age of 4 ride in child safety seats
- all children ride in child restraint systems until their 8th birthday

How do I select the correct child safety seat or child restraint system?

An appropriate child safety restraint system

- is required for all children until their 8th birthday
- must meet the size and weight requirements for the child based on the Federal requirements and the recommendations of the manufacturer
- can be a child safety seat, a harness, a vest or a booster seat attached with the vehicle seat belt system, but not the vehicle seat belt alone
- should not be used in the front seat of the vehicle

Always read the instructions and the information provided in the vehicle owner manual about the use of child safety seats or child restraint systems. Make sure you install and use the seat or system correctly at all times. Never use an infant seat in the front seat of a vehicle that has a passenger-side air bag. Make sure that other passengers use their seat belts.

What is the seat belt law in New York State?

New York State law requires all front seat passengers to wear seat belts. Children under the age of 16 must wear seat belts when they are in the front seat or the back seat. Children under the age of four must ride in safety seats. See the information above about safety restraint systems required for children until their 8th birthday.

The penalty for a seat belt or car seat violation is a fine of up to \$50. If the violation is for a person under the age of 16, the driver receives a maximum fine of \$100 and three driver violation points upon conviction.

Source: <https://dmv.ny.gov/more-info/safety-restraints>

To get more information about the Sullivan County Car Seat Program, please call Sullivan County Public Health at (845) 292-5910.

www.cpsc.gov

Hot Mom Recalls Bed Rails Due to Violation of Federal Standard for Portable Bed Rails: Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com (Recall Alert)

Recall Details

Description: This recall involves bed rails with model number Boom09. Hot Mom is printed on the bottom right corner of the bed rail. They measure approximately 59 inches long by 2 inches deep by 25 inches high. They have a plastic perimeter with two mesh centers and are sold with a light blue and white cover.

Hazard: The bed rails fail to meet the federal mandatory standard for portable bed rails, posing entrapment and suffocation hazards to young children

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled bed rails and contact Hot Mom to return them for a full refund. Hot Mom is contacting all known purchasers directly.

Incidents/Injuries: None reported

Date: January 30, 2019

Child Care Council Info

Normal Business Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:30pm

We are available for assistance in person:

7 Community Lane, Liberty, NY 12754,

Mail: **PO Box 186, Ferndale, NY 12734.**

Staff members can be reached by telephone at
(845) 292-7166, or toll free: (877) 292-7190.

Average Weekly Cost of Child Care

	Family Child Care	Group Family Child Care	Day Care Center
6wks-18mos	n/a	n/a	\$200
6wks-24mos	\$150	\$150	n/a
18mos-36mos	n/a	n/a	\$190
3y-5y	n/a	n/a	\$180
2yrs-5yrs	\$150	\$150	n/a
6y-12y	\$143	\$143	\$170

Prospective Child Care Providers

If you are interested in becoming a child care provider please visit <http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/childcare/techreq.asp> for a **free online Child Care Provider Orientation** and to request an application.

If you prefer to attend a face to face orientation session providing the opportunity to ask direct and specific questions to the Registrar please call us during business hours and schedule an appointment!

Contact us today to schedule your appointment by calling (845) 292-7166 or to info@scchildcare.com.

We need child care providers!
Specifically for children ages
6 weeks to 12 months old in the
Liberty, Monticello & Fallsburg areas
& 3pm—11pm and weekend shifts.

Please call 845-292-7166 to attend a child care orientation or visit ocfs.ny.gov and click on Become a Provider for more information & the free online orientation.

Child Care Programs in Sullivan County

	OCFS Registered/Licensed Child Care Programs					
Township	Day Care Centers (DCC)	Family Day Care Homes (FDC)	Group Family Day Care Homes (GFDC)	School-Age Child Care (SACC)	Private Schools	Requests for Care 12/1/2019-2/28/2019
Bethel	0	0	0	0		2
Callicoon	0	3	2	0		4
Cochecton	0	0	0	0		1
Delaware	0	2	0	0		0
Fallsburg	2	5	3	0		23
Forestburgh	0	0	0	0		0
Fremont	0	0	0	0		1
Highland	0	1	0	0		1
Liberty	2	7	2	2	1	43
Lumberland	0	0	1	0	1	0
Mamakating	1	0	2	0		0
Neversink	0	1	2	1		1
Rockland	0	0	0	0		5
Thompson	5	2	6	3	1	44
Tusten	0	1	0	0		0
Totals	11	23	18	8	3	125

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Professional Supporter (Check One)

(Eligible for reduced training costs.)

- ☐ \$35 Family Day Care Provider (\$25 if participate in CACFP)
- ☐ \$50 Group Family Day Care (\$40 if participate in CACFP)
- ☐ \$125 Day Care Center / SACC (\$100 if participate in CACFP)
- ☐ \$25 Legally-Exempt Provider (\$15 if participate in CACFP)

Community Supporter (Check One)

- ☐ \$50 Advocate ☐ \$100 Sponsor* ☐ Other* _____

Name/Organization: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

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*Please submit a business card with your donation of \$100 or more.
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Thank you for your financial support; it helps families gain access to quality and affordable childcare!

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We have several openings for Council Committee members. We are seeking members who could fulfill underrepresented areas such as, parents (who have children in child care); those who have expertise in marketing or insurance; those who are familiar with child care subsidy system and those who could represent our Hispanic community. **Support the Council by serving on a committee! Please contact us at info@scchildcare.com!**

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