

# CHILD CARE AVAILABILITY FOR •CRITICAL PERSONNEL•

## LOOKING FOR CHILD CARE?

View a list of the most up-to-date [child care providers open in the state](#). You can click on the parish and drill down to centers and family homes that are open. Each location will have contact information. If non-traditional hours are needed, we encourage you to contact the provider as they may be able to work with your schedule. Note that Type III early learning centers can take children of families that qualify for the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) – see below for more information on CCAP.

If you have either a person that cares for children in her home or a person that comes to your house to care for your children, they can become certified with the Department of Education by following [2 easy steps](#). The Louisiana Department of Education will pay family home and in-home providers the same rates as Type III early learning centers – see below for rates and parent responsibility.

## HOW DO I APPLY FOR THE CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CCAP) TO SUBSIDIZE CHILD CARE FOR MY CHILDREN?

If you fall within one of the categories of an [Essential Critical Infrastructure Worker](#) during the COVID-19 pandemic, you are likely eligible for CCAP. This program provides significant financial assistance for child care at Type III early learning centers and certified family home and in-home providers. You can apply for “emergency CCAP” by submitting this [application](#). The Department is striving to process applications within 48 hours. If eligible, the Louisiana Department of Education will pay the CCAP certified provider (Type III early learning center or certified family home or in-home) the [maximum](#) rate per day. If the CCAP certified provider charges above this rate, you are responsible for the difference.

If you do not fall within one of the categories above, you can still [apply for CCAP](#).

## LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE?

- [Meals For My Children](#)
- [Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program \(SNAP\)](#)
- [Women, Infants, and Children Program \(WIC\)](#)
- [Medicaid](#)
- [LaChip](#)
- [Learning At Home](#)
- [Family Independence Temporary Assistance \(FITAP\)](#)
- [Kinship Care Subsidy \(KCSP\)](#)
- [Strategies to Empower People Program \(FITAP\)](#)
- [Louisiana Low Income Energy Assistance Program \(LIHEAP\)](#)
- [Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program \(MIECHV\)](#)
- [Students with Disabilities \(IDEA\)](#)

