Resources to Support your Family in Finding Child Care

Finding the Right Child Care for your Family

Learn about the <u>Types of Child Care</u> in Ontario through the Government of Ontario website.

It's important to ask the right questions before you choose a child care provider. Use these questions when you visit a centre or home to find quality care that suits you and your child's needs. The Government of Ontario suggests some <u>Questions to Ask a Child Care Provider</u>. (Updated with COVID-19 questions)

The Region of Waterloo offers supports in a variety of ways: <u>Finding Quality Child Care and Early Learning</u> <u>Questions to Ask a Child Care Provider</u>

The Government of Ontario offers information for unlicensed Home-Based Child Care Providers that parents should be aware of. "The New Child Care and Early Years Act: What Providers and Parents Need to Know" Home child care and unlicensed child care: how many children are allowed?

<u>Caring for Kids</u>, information for parents from Canada's paediatricians, offers information around <u>Child</u> <u>Care – Making the Best Choice for your Family.</u>

Registering for Licensed Child Care in Waterloo Region

<u>OneList</u> Waterloo Region provides opportunity for families to register for licensed child care. This website includes child care centres (also called child care, day care, preschool and nursery school), home child care, and before and after school programs. OneList is where all applications for licensed care in Waterloo Region are submitted. There is also information about how to apply for financial help to pay for child care, as well as information about special needs supports that are available for your child. Resources to support with OneList also include:

<u>New OneList Parent Resource Booklet</u> <u>OneList User Guide</u> OneList Commonly asked Questions

<u>The Region of Waterloo Home Child Care</u> is licensed by the Ministry of Education to run a home child care program for children from birth to age 12.

Important Note: For families to learn about specific child care policies (cleaning procedures, allergies, parent access to child care, communication, etc...), families will need to connect with the direct centre or person.





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