

ECC CORNER - Child Care Connection Provider e-Newsletter

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Did You Know?



E-Child Care Provider Closure Calendars

Please mail, fax or deliver your Closure Calendar for the 2022 school year to document your school schedule.

Please note, closure dates will **NOT** be entered into EPPIC by the CCR&R while payment is made based on enrollment.

Please submit Closure Calendars through our drop-box or by

Fax: 609-989-8060, or

Mail: 1001 Spruce Street,
Suite 201, Trenton, NJ
08638.



Universal School Mask Mandate

On February 7, 2022, Governor Murphy announced that the state-wide Mask Mandate would lift on Monday, March 7, 2022.

Child care centers and providers can continue to implement the usage of face-covering within their facilities.

To view the Governor's announcement click below:

<https://www.nj.gov/health/news/2022/approved/20220207d.shtml>

Provider Report of Terminations

Providers must submit the *Provider Report of Child Care Terminations Form* to CCC when a family disenrolls, indicating the last day of care.

To print forms, go to our website:

<http://childcareconnection-nj.org>

Payment On Enrollment versus Attendance

On December 22, 2021, the Division of Family Development (DFD) announced that child care subsidy payment based on enrollment extends through June 30, 2022.

Providers will continue to receive payment for all days of *authorized* child care agreements for enrolled students through June 30, 2022.

Providers are required to keep their own attendance records.

Further details will be sent as instructions become available from DFD.

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CHILD CARE COVID FAMILY DIFFERENTIAL PAYMENTS

DFD announced *The Family Differential Payment* extension for licensed child care providers and family child care providers (FCC). The Family Differential Payment replaces the previous *Supplemental Payment* program. The differential payments help pay the tuition difference and reduce other costs or fees that families pay, e.g., payments that are not covered by child care reimbursement payments. If a provider's rate is greater than the New Jersey child care reimbursement rate, the provider must reduce the family's cost of care by applying the additional amount received through the Family Differential Payment.

The monthly equivalent of \$300 (\$13.86/per day) for full-time care and \$150 (\$6.93/per day) for part-time care has been added to the regular, daily subsidy child care rate in your web portal. Payment continues to occur through direct deposit in the ECC system.

This directive is extended and remains in effect from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2023.

Please review the agreement details for each child by reviewing your provider web portal.

The Family Differential Payments extension **does not** apply to Approved Homes. They will no longer receive the differential payments.

Murphy Administration Announces \$83 Million Additional Investment in Child Care & Support for Working Families

Linked Transcripts:

- 10/27/21: <https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/news/pressreleases/2021/approved/20211027b.html>
- 10/13/21: <https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/news/pressreleases/2021/approved/20211013c.html>

As more detailed information is provided by DFD, Child Care Connection will send communications to our child care providers and parents.

Child Care Connection Office Updates

We continue to serve our customers by appointment. To schedule an appointment, please call:

609-989-8035 for application, program participant, and agreement information
609-989-9010 for ECC, provider payment, and attendance information
609-989-8130 for referrals and WFNJ-TANF agreements

Drop off of material is encouraged. Please drop off material at our reception desk or through our drop box located on the left side of our building.

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