



Job & Family Services Licensed Child Care Provider List

We're pleased to share this up-to-date list of licensed home childcare providers and centers. Our goal is to help you find the best fit for both you and your child.

Before reaching out to providers, we encourage you to carefully review the details included. Feel free to visit and meet with as many providers as you need to make an informed decision. Bringing your child along during these visits can help you gauge how comfortable they feel in each environment.

Please note: some providers may only offer care Monday through Thursday. This may influence your choice depending on your scheduling needs.

Before submitting your application for childcare assistance, be sure to select your preferred provider and confirm that they have availability for your child(ren).

Type B Home Providers: These providers are licensed by the Ohio Department of Job & Family Services and may care for up to six children in their home. This includes their own children under age six. No more than three children under the age of two may be in care at any time. All adults living in the home, as well as substitute caregivers and staff, must pass a fingerprint-based criminal background check. Providers and their staff are required to complete annual training, and the home is inspected at least twice a year. Type B providers are regularly monitored to ensure compliance.

Type A Home Providers: These providers are also licensed by the Ohio Department of Children and Youth. They can care for 7 to 12 children at a time, including their own children under age 6. Care takes place in the provider's residence. These providers may have assistants or staff to help meet child-to-adult ratios. All adults in the home and staff must pass background checks and complete regular training. Type A homes are inspected and monitored to ensure they meet state standards for safety and quality.

Child Care Centers Licensed and monitored by the Ohio Department of Job & Family Services; these centers typically serve larger groups of children in a dedicated facility. They follow strict guidelines for safety, staffing, and educational programming.



Choosing the Right Child Care for Your Family

Finding the right child care provider is a big decision. Here are some helpful tips to guide you through the process:

Questions to Ask Providers

- Are they available during the days and hours you need?
- How do they communicate with parents (texts, calls, daily reports)?
- Will they provide references from other families?
- Can you schedule a tour of the home or center?
- Are they comfortable with unannounced visits?
- Can you see the outdoor play area? Is it clean and safe? If there's a pet, is it friendly and well cared for?
- What specific days do they offer care?

Things to Observe During Your Visit

- How does the provider greet you?
- Do they acknowledge and speak to your child?
- Is the space clean, welcoming, and child-friendly?
- Is there a posted daily schedule—and is it being followed?
- Are the activities and crafts age-appropriate?
- Does the provider actively engage with the children?
- Are they involved in play, crafts, or games with the kids?

Concerns or Questions?

If you have concerns about a **Type A or Type B home child care provider**, please contact:

Lisa Myers Child Care Licensing Specialist Marion County Job & Family Services: 740-223-1923, Lisa.Myers@jfs.ohio.gov *Your call or email will remain confidential.*

For concerns about a **Child Care Center**, reach out to: **Ohio Department of Children & Youth:** 1-844-234-5437

Type A and Type B Licensed Home Providers/ Listed by School District:

Type A Provider: Childcare can be provided for up to 12 children at a time at the home of the provider.

Type B Provider: Childcare is provided for 1 to 6 children, with no more than 3 children under the age of 2, at the home of the provider.

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Provider Name	Phone	Location	Notes
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Harrison

Doris Lewis	740-341-6324	Summit Rd.	*Closed Fridays Mon-Thu: 4:30am-5:00pm
Maretha Ericson	740-361-7196	Leetonia Circle	Mon-Fri: 4:30am-2:00am, (1 st & 2 nd) Mon-Fr: 3 rd shift, 9:30pm-6:45am

Hayes

Cheryl Prater	740-382-0434	Commercial St.	Mon-Fri: 6:15am-4:15pm
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Garfield

Regina Shepherd	740-383-6288 (C)740-751-2438	Owens St.	Mon-Sat: 7:00am-5:00pm
Marianne Brown	740-382-5015	Waterloo St.	Will transport to Garfield school/ Mon-Fri: 6:00am-7:30pm Sat/Sun: 6:00am-7:30pm

McKinley

Denise Sterritt	740-387-6242	Windsor St.	Mon-Thu: 1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Fri: 12:00am-5:30pm Sun: 3:00pm-7:15am (2 nd /3 rd)
Martis Bracy	740-383-1403 / 740-386-1264	Duluth Ave.	Mon-Fri: 4:00am-4:30pm Weekends: 7:30pm-8:00am (every other)
Carol Spears	740-751-3444	Bellefontaine Ave.	Mon-Fri: 4:30am-11:30pm/ Saturdays
Brandi Murrell	740-251-3418	Colonial Ave.	Mon-Fri: 6:00am-5:00pm; can provide transportation depending on schedule

George Washington

Deb James (Type A)	Cell: 361-4659	E. Mark St.	Mon-Fri: 7:30am-5:30pm
Lorri Greashaber	740-387-0868	Summit St.	Mon-Fri: 6:00am-6:00pm
Rachael Compton	740-341-0975	Forest Lawn Blvd.	Mon-Fri: 6:00am-5:00pm & Third shift Every other Saturday: 6:00am- 5:00pm

Elgin

Tammy Hay	740-262-0013	Prospect Upper Sandusky Rd.	Mon-Fri: 6:00am-4:30pm
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Pleasant

Joyce Brewer (Type A)	740-361-0904	Marion Marysville Rd.	Mon-Fri: 5:00am-5:30pm Every other weekend: 6:00am-4:00pm
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Center Name	Phone	Address
Advantage Early Learning Academy	740-914-2355	233 West Church St, Marion, OH 43302
Advantage Early Learning Academy	937-642-4300	398 Damascus Road, Marysville, OH 43040
Gilead Christian School	419-946-5990	220 S. Main St, Mt Gilead, OH
Emanuel Lutheran Child Care Program. Hours: 7:30am-5:00pm Mon-Fri. <i>Licensure includes Infants, Toddlers, and Preschool</i>	740-382-0257	241 South Prospect Street, Marion, OH 43302
Liberty Community Center	740-369-3876	207 London Road, Delaware, OH
Marion Family YMCA Hours: 6:45am-6:00pm Mon-Fri. <i>Licensure includes: School-Age Child Care and Preschool</i>	740-725-9622	645 Barks Road East, Marion, OH 43302
St Mary's Preschool (4yr old only)	740-382-1607	274 N Prospect St, Marion OH 43302
Chubby Cheeks	740-936-7042	1201 US Hwy 23 N, Delaware, OH

This list includes a selection of licensed Type A and Type B home child care providers, as well as licensed child care centers in Ohio. It is not a complete directory.

If you're searching for providers who accept Publicly Funded Child Care (PFCC), we recommend contacting them directly to confirm availability. You can also visit the Ohio Child Care Search Tool to view up-to-date licensing information and explore additional options: <https://childcaresearch.ohio.gov/>.