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A Child Care Resource
for
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Clarkson University, SUNY Canton, & SUNY Potsdam are committed to assisting families with locating high-quality licensed childcare programs.

This resource was created to assist faculty, staff, and students in exploring childcare options available in communities in St. Lawrence County.

Two Primary Child Care Resources Discussed in this Presentation

1. St. Lawrence Child Care Council

- Your local resource for finding child care providers.
- Will answer your questions by phone, assist you through the process of finding providers, and help you to determine whether or not you qualify for financial assistance.

2. Office of Child and Family Services

- State agency providing you with an overview of child care resources.
- Will give you an understanding of what to look for when selecting child care and allow you to search online for regulated child care providers in NY State.

Resource and Referral Agency



St. Lawrence Child Care Council

“If you are looking for childcare, the [child care resource and referral agency \(CCRR\)](#) in your county is a great place to start. CCRR agencies collect and maintain up-to-date information about all types of legal childcare programs in their areas. CCRR counselors can provide you with information about various types of programs, costs, financial assistance and guidelines for selecting childcare. If you want help finding childcare or have questions about childcare, contact your local CCRR.”

Source: <https://ocfs.ny.gov/programs/childcare/looking/#ccrr>



For the most up-to-the-minute information about child care services in St. Lawrence County, go to the SLCCC website, and then call! As a local agency, SLCCC can provide information requiring local knowledge – for example, about child care providers on the way from an employee’s home to their work.

Link: <https://www.stlawrencechildcare.org/>

“Founded in 1989, the St. Lawrence Child Care Council (SLCCC) was established to support and expand a child care system to improve the availability of quality child care options and services in St. Lawrence County. The SLCCC is a not-for-profit child care resource and referral agency providing information, education and resources to families, providers, community members and employers to meet the early care and learning needs in our community.”

SLCCC Contact Information:

314 Ford Street

Ogdensburg, NY 13669-1404

Telephone: (315) 393-6474

Toll Free: (800) 246-5352

SLCCC Email Address:

geninfo@stlawrencechildcare.org



Office of Children & Family Services

Link: <https://ocfs.ny.gov/main/>

Find Child Care

“Choosing child care is an important decision. Safe and positive child care sets the stage for healthy growth and development. It takes time, patience and an understanding of what to look for when selecting childcare. You know the needs of your child and family. However, you may need assistance in matching those needs to available resources. That is why OCFS is proud to share with you the supports we have put in place to assist you in making this important decision. You can learn about these options [in the short videos](#) available on our website.”



OCFS Resources

[Search for Regulated Child Care](#)

[Inspections and Enforcement](#)

[A Parent's Guide to Child Care Options](#)

[Paying for Child Care](#)

[QUALITYstarsNY](#)

[Child Care Resource and Referral Agency \(CCRR\)](#)

[Regional Office of the Division of Child Care Services](#)

[Open NY](#)





OCFS Search Feature

“The [Search for Child Care page](#) will allow you to search the entire database of regulated child care providers in New York State (except for day care centers in New York City). You can look up a specific provider by name, or all the **providers in a particular county** or even **zip code**. You can also **search by different types of care**, such as **family day care** or **day care centers**. The results for a program will include contact information, address, capacity, when it first opened and the current status of its license or registration.”

Source: <https://ocfs.ny.gov/programs/childcare/looking/#search>

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