

CHILD CARE FACILITIES



Open with restrictions

This allows additional facilities to open or expand as increased workforce returns.

WORKSPACES	EMPLOYEES	TO PROTECT CHILDREN/PARENTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Prioritize care for children of essential workers / parents returning to work / job seekers ● Keep group size per room under 10 children ● Keep groups of children together with same staff when possible ● Conduct daily temperature checks and monitor symptoms in employees and students and any person entering the building. Refer symptomatic employees to the CDPHE Symptom Tracker. (Additional Guidance) ● Require handwashing upon arrival and enable handwashing throughout the day ● Limit the number of child-staff and child-child interaction in common spaces as much as possible (e.g. playground equipment, hallways, etc.) ● Encourage 6-foot distancing and, where possible, implement distancing systems while learning ● Stagger meal times (if normally done in a large group) and encourage individual meals (no family-style dining) ● Sanitize all high-touch areas at start and end of the day and, when possible, throughout the day (Additional Guidance) ● Limit the toys in use to those that are easily cleanable, non-porous, with smooth surfaces and eliminate soft, fabric toys, dress-up clothing, sensory tables and water play ● Establish clear plan / protocol to isolate staff and children who have symptoms ● Determine plan for substitute staff members to cover for ill or quarantined staff 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Require use of face coverings or masks (preferred medical grade if available, otherwise cloth) (Additional Guidance) ● Provide guidance and encouragement on maintaining 6-foot distancing ● Provide guidance and encouragement on frequent handwashing ● Provide training to all staff specific to all issues in the public health order ● Require staff to stay home when showing any symptoms or signs of sickness ● Provide all staff with support and referrals for their mental health needs <hr/> <p>This section includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Licensed and license-exempt child care centers ● Licensed and license-exempt In-home child care <p>This section does not include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Summer camps ● Public preschool on public school campuses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Implement curbside pick-up and drop-off only ● Implement alternative child check-in and check-out procedures that minimize parent touching of shared items (pens, paper, etc.) ● Require parents to keep children home when showing any symptoms or signs of sickness ● Encourage parents to take their children’s temperature prior to bringing them to child care ● Provide face coverings or masks for children age 3+ per current CDPHE guidance, no face coverings or masks for children 0-3 ● Remove face coverings or masks from children during naps and place nap mats 6 feet apart ● Provide frequent communication with all families of enrolled children specific to all issues in the public health order <hr/> <p>Additional resources and guidelines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Face Covering Guidance for Child Care Operations during COVID-19 Response