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TO: ALL CHILD CARE FACILITY LICENSEES AND PROVIDERS

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SUBJECT: UPDATED COVID-19 GUIDANCE FOR COHORTS, GROUP SIZE, AND RATIOS IN

LICENSED & LICENSE-EXEMPT CHILD CARE SETTINGS; AND UPDATED

GUIDANCE FOR COUNTY RISK LEVELS. GUIDANCE AND FREQUENTLY ASKED

QUESTIONS (FAQ) REGARDING INDIVIDUAL WAIVERS AVAILABLE FOR

LICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITIES AND LICENSE-EXEMPT PROVIDERS DUE TO

CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)

Provider Information Notice (PIN) Summary

PIN 21-08-CCP supersedes PIN 20-22-CCP dated August 25, 2020, and updated September 4, 2020. This PIN clarifies cohort guidance as counties progress through the COVID-19 Blueprint for a Safer Economy <u>risk level criteria</u> and provides updated responses to the most frequently asked questions from child care providers concerning *individual* waivers *to licensing standards*; and cohorts, group size, and ratios required in licensed and license-exempt child care settings during the COVID-19 health crisis.

In response to the rapidly evolving Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) public health emergency in California, the California Department of Social Services (CDSS or Department) is taking actions to continue to ensure that child care providers have the guidance and flexibility needed to meet the needs of children in care.

As described in PIN 20-04-CCLD, on March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom issued a Proclamation of a State of Emergency ("Proclamation") for California that permits CDSS, to the extent the CDSS deems necessary to respond to the threat of COVID-19, to waive any provisions of the Health and Safety Code or Welfare and Institutions Code, accompanying regulations, interim licensing standards, or other written policies or procedures with respect to the use, licensing, or approval of facilities and homes within its jurisdiction. This PIN contains a FAQ that provide information for child care providers who want to request an individual waiver to provide child care that differs from child care facility licensing requirements or is beyond the current conditions that qualify for licensure exemptions. The FAQ also provide answers about cohort guidance on group size and ratios.

PLEASE NOTE that the cohort guidance is now only applicable for counties in the Purple Tier operating indoors.

CDSS recommends that child care providers continue to follow guidance in all applicable CDSS PINs, in addition to the guidance or instructions from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), California Department of Public Health (CDPH), local health departments, and health care providers. If you have questions about this PIN, please contact your <u>local Regional Office</u>.

The Department will also communicate all new information to providers through Provider Information Notices (PINs). Please <u>sign up to be notified of new PINs here</u> and <u>visit the Department's website for the latest PINs</u>.

Cohort Guidance for Operations in the Purple Tier (Widespread) Section

Only licensed and license-exempt child care providers located in counties identified as being in the widespread (purple) risk level must follow the Guidance for Small Cohorts/Groups of Children and Youth issued by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH). For all other tiers, please follow the COVID-19 Child Care Industry guidance for group size, and please visit the Understand Your County's Status webpage for additional information.

The cohort guidance applies to groups of children in controlled, supervised, and indoor environments operated by local educational agencies, non-profits, or other providers, including, but not limited to, public and private schools; licensed and license-exempt child care settings; organized and supervised care environments, i.e., "distance learning hubs"; recreation programs; before and after school programs; youth groups; and day camps.

Cohort Guidance for Group Sizes in the Purple Tier FAQ

Question	Answer	Information Links
What is a cohort?	A cohort is a stable group of no more than 14 children or youth and no more than 2 supervising adults (or a configuration of no more than 16 individuals total in the cohort) in a supervised environment in which supervising adults and children stay together for all activities (e.g. meals, recreation, etc.), and avoid contact with people outside of their group in the setting. Keeping child care providers and children in the same cohort each day and including children from the same family or carpool in the same cohort lowers their exposure risk by limiting the number of people they interact with.	Guidance for Small Cohorts/Groups of Children and Youth
What is the difference between	Ratio is the number of children per adult in a caregiving setting (e.g., 10 children per 1 adult or	COVID-19 Industry Guidance: Schools and School-Based Programs

Question	Answer	Information Links
ratio and group	10:1). Established ratios need to be maintained	- Imerination Links
size?	within the group or cohort of children and adults.	COVID-19 Update
0.201	Walling the group of content of children and addition	Guidance: Child Care
	Group size refers to the number of individuals in	Programs and Providers
	a group. Group size should remain as small as	
	possible.	
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	If a local ordinance requires providers to provide	
	care within smaller groups, providers must follow	
	the stricter local requirement. (Your local health	
	department may have guidance for a specific	
	maximum group size.)	
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	The smaller the group, the less risk of spreading	
	disease. As cohorts increase in size, or as they	
	have any contact with other cohorts, the risk of	
	spreading disease increases. Cohorts should be 6	
	ft apart from each other.	
	Cohort guidance does not permit licensed and	
	license-exempt providers to care for more children	
	than authorized by applicable statutes and	
	regulations or the terms and conditions of a waiver	
	issued by the Department. All applicable staff-to-	
	child ratios and group size limitations must be	
	maintained according to the type of license and/or	
	exemption a provider currently holds.	
Can more than two	Yes. The number of adults assigned to a cohort	
"supervising	should be minimized and is ideally limited to two.	
adults" be assigned	However, cohorts may include more than two	
to a cohort?	adults, provided the total size of the cohort is	
	compliant with limitations upon the size of group	
	for the Purple Tier which is no more than 16	
	individuals per cohort.	
Can a "supervising	Yes, but only in settings serving children ages 5	
adult" be assigned	and under. Even under such circumstances,	
to more than one	mixing between cohorts should be minimized and	
cohort?	adults must not be assigned to more than two	
	cohorts.	

Question	Answer	Information Links
Can a child continue to receive specialized services in a different classroom or cohort?	Yes. Additionally, one-to-one specialized services can be provided to a child or youth by a support service provider that is not part of the child or youth's cohort under the Cohort Guidance. These specialized services include, but are not limited to, occupational therapy services, speech and language services, and other medical, behavioral services, or educational support services as part of a targeted intervention strategy.	CDPH Providing Targeted, Specialized Support and Services at School California Department of Education (CDE) Special Education Announcements & Current Issues
Can a child receive in-person instruction and also attend child care?	Yes. The facility shall follow and adhere to the COVID guidelines.	

Individual Waivers and Standard Conditions for Licensed Child Care Facilities and License-Exempt Providers

Question	Answer	Information Links
Can I obtain a waiver to certain licensing requirements or to provide childcare that exceeds the limits of my licensure exemption?	Individual waivers are available to providers who want to provide care that differs from child care facility licensing requirements or is beyond the current conditions that qualify for licensure exemption. License-exempt providers who wish to operate beyond the bounds of the current exemption requirements (see glossary) must request a waiver. Providers will have to request a waiver and meet the standard and additional conditions for waivers; follow federal, state, and local health department directives and guidelines for providing a healthy and safe child care environment; and incorporate policies and procedures to support the prevention, containment, and mitigation of COVID-19.	Health & Safety Code (HSC) section 1596.792
What are the standard	The following standard conditions will need to be met to provide care beyond the licensing	COVID-19 Update Guidance: Child Care

Question	Anguar	Information Links
Question conditions that I	Answer requirements or current conditions that qualify for	Information Links
will have to meet	licensure exemption:	Criminal Record
to have an	•	Clearance
individual waiver	 Ability to follow Industry Guidance for child care providers 	HSC section
to certain	·	1596.871
licensing	 Comply with local health department directives 	1000.07 1
requirements or	Completed CDSS criminal record	TrustLine Registry
to exceed the	clearance or exemption	Tracteme region y
limits of	At least one onsite staff member has a	CDSS Child Care
licensure	current Pediatric CPR and First Aid	Regional Office
exemption?	certification during program operation	
	Physical distancing and face coverings	
	 Consumer protection information and 	PIN 21-07-CCP First
	emergency disaster plan, as applicable	Aid & CPR
	Notify parent/guardian of the CDSS	
	Community Care Licensing Division	
	Complaint Hotline: 1-844-LET US NO	
	(1-844-538-8766) <u>letusno@dss.ca.gov</u>	
	Comply with reporting requirements, as	
	applicable	
	Comply with oversight by government	
	authorities, including CDSS	
	Allow oversight by video/telephonic	
	conferencing means	
	Group size and capacity set by state or	
	local health department or the local CDSS	
	Child Care Regional Office	
	Age-appropriate environment, equipment,	
	materials, and supplies	
	Ability to provide special needs care and	
	supports for children in care, if applicable	
	Notify parent/guardian of policies	
	impacted by the waiver	
	 Post waiver in public location within the 	
	home or facility	
	 90-day waiver limitation – CDSS may 	
	renew after evaluation of need and	
	compliance history	
What is the	If you are interested in requesting a waiver	
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Question	Answer	Information Links
process for	please contact your local CDSS Child Care	
obtaining an	Regional Office (RO) and request a waiver in	
individual waiver	writing with all applicable information included as	
to certain	described in this PIN. The RO will review the	
licensing	waiver request, determine whether the request	
requirements or	justifies the need for a waiver, and explain how	
to exceed the	the provider will meet health and safety	
limits of my	requirements and conditions for a waiver.	
licensure		
exemption?	Waiver requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis. The RO will follow up with you if the request is deemed incomplete and additional information is needed. If the waiver request is denied, you will be notified in writing of the reasons for denial. If the waiver request is granted, the Child Care Licensing Program will notify you in writing, and you must post the waiver in a public location at the home or facility.	

Additional Conditions for Individual Waivers for License-Exempt Child Care Providers

Question	Answer	Information Links
What are the additional conditions for an individual waiver for a provider that is providing license-exempt Family, Friend, Neighbor, and Relative Caregiving?	In addition to the standard conditions listed above, the following additional conditions will also apply for family, friend, and neighbor care, and for relatives providing care: • If TrustLine waiver, then group size limited to 10 children. • A TrustLine registered provider may care for children of more than one family at a time as long as the provider is able to meet the needs of the children in care.	HSC sections 1596.792(d) & (f) Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR) section 102358

Question	Answer	Information Links
What are the additional conditions for an individual waiver for a provider that is providing license-exempt Cooperative Care?	In addition to the standard conditions listed above, the following additional conditions will also apply for Cooperative Care providers: • Providers may not care for more than 12 children. • Access to digital resources reviewed on case-by-case basis.	HSC section 1596.792(e) 22 CCR section 102358
What are the additional conditions for an individual waiver for a provider that is providing license-exempt care as a Public Recreation Program?	In addition to the standard conditions listed above, the following additional conditions will also apply to Public Recreation Programs providing care: • If on school grounds, approval from school district or equivalent • Limited to school-age (K-12) • Other ages served reviewed on case-by case basis • In good standing with Child Care Licensing if current license holder • Fire clearance, if applicable • Access to digital resources reviewed on case-by-case basis • Comply with additional reporting requirements if an employee was approved to work with a criminal record clearance issued by a school district, county office of education, or community college district, and there is a change in status of that clearance	HSC section 1596.792(g) 22 CCR section 101158
What are the additional conditions for an individual waiver for a provider that is providing license-exempt care as a <i>Private Recreation</i> Program (such as YMCA, Boy/Girl	In addition to the standard conditions listed above, the following additional conditions will also apply for Private Recreation Programs providing care: • If on school grounds, approval from school district or equivalent • Limited to school-age (K-12) • Other ages served reviewed on case-bycase basis • In good standing with Child Care Licensing if current license holder	HSC section 1596.793 22 CCR section 101158

Question	Answer	Information Links
Scouts, Boys & Girls Clubs)?	 Fire clearance, if applicable Coordination of services with local health department and school districts needed Access to digital resources reviewed on case-by-case basis 	
What are the additional conditions for an individual waiver for a provider that is providing license-exempt care as a Day Camp or Organized Camp?	In addition to the standard conditions listed above, the following additional conditions will also apply for camp programs providing care: • Subject to notification of operation to local health department and inspection for organized camps • If on school grounds, approval from school district or equivalent • Limited to school-age (K-12) • Other ages served reviewed on case-by-case basis • Fire clearance • Water safety • Access to digital resources reviewed on case-by-case basis • American Camp Association Accreditation, if applicable	HSC sections 1596.793 & HSC Section 18897 COVID-19 Interim Guidance: Day Camps
What are the additional conditions for an individual waiver for a provider that is providing license-exempt care as an Extended Day Care Program (public and private schools, ASES Programs, and 21st Century Community Learning Centers)?	In addition to the standard conditions listed above, the following additional conditions will also apply for Extended Day Care Programs providing care: • Need approval from school district or equivalent • Coordination of services/partnerships with local health department and school districts needed • In good standing with Child Care Licensing if current license holder • Fire clearance, if applicable • Access to digital resources reviewed on case-by-case basis • Comply with additional reporting requirements if an employee was approved to work with a criminal record clearance issued by a school district, county office of	HSC section 1596.792(h) 22 CCR section 101158 Education Code sections 8482.3, 8484.3, 8484.7, and 8484.75

Question	Answer	Information Links
	education, or community college district, and there is a change in status of that clearance	
What are the additional conditions for an individual waiver for a provider that is providing license-exempt care as Temporary Child Care Arrangements (Pop up Care and Employer Sponsored Care)?	In addition to the standard conditions listed above, the following additional conditions will also apply for Temporary Child Care Arrangements providing care: • If on school grounds, approval from school district or equivalent • Fire clearance, if applicable • Access to digital resources reviewed on case-by-case basis • Comply with additional reporting requirements if an employee was approved to work with a criminal record clearance issued by a school district, county office of education, or community college district, and there is a change in status of that clearance. • Employer sponsored care shall be available exclusively for the care of children of that employer and of the officers, managers, and employees of that employer	HSC section 1596.771
What are the additional conditions for an individual waiver for a provider that is providing license-exempt care as an Instructional Care Provider?	In addition to the standard conditions listed above, the following additional conditions will also apply for Instructional Care Providers: • If on school grounds, approval from school district or equivalent • Coordination of services/ partnerships with local health department and school districts needed • Fire clearance, if applicable • Limited to school-age (K-12); other ages served reviewed on case-by-case basis • Access to digital resources reviewed on case-by-case basis	HSC section 1596.792(I)

Additional Conditions for Individual Waivers for Licensed Child Care Facilities

Question	Answer	Information Links
What are the additional conditions for an individual waiver for a licensed Child Care Center that wants to exceed the limits of the license?	In addition to the standard conditions listed above, the following additional conditions will also apply for a licensed Child Care Center: • If on school grounds, approval from school district or equivalent • In good standing with Child Care Licensing • Fire clearance, if applicable • Coordination of services with local health department and school districts needed • Access to digital resources reviewed on case-by-case basis	Governor's Proclamation of State of Emergency COVID-19 Update Guidance: Child Care
What are the additional conditions for an individual waiver for a licensed Family Child Care Home that wants to exceed the limits of the license?	In addition to the standard conditions listed above, the following additional conditions will also apply for a licensed Family Child Care Home: • In good standing with Child Care Licensing • Fire clearance • Access to digital resources reviewed on case-by-case basis	Governor's Proclamation of State of Emergency COVID-19 Update Guidance: Child Care

Licensing Requirement Clarification

Question	Answer	Information Links
How much space do child care facilities need to serve a group of children?	Child Care Centers: 35 square feet per child indoors and 75 square feet per child outdoors (waiver may be available to share outdoor space) if care is provided on school grounds, the space requirement is exempted. The requirement to prevent interaction between cohorts can be met either by having each cohort in a separate room or space created by partitions. Bathrooms, halls, offices, isolation areas, food preparation areas, storage areas, and floor space occupied by shelves, cabinets, portable storage,	22 CCR <u>sections</u> 101238.2 & <u>Section</u> 101238.3

Question	Answer	Information Links
Question	and office equipment are not included in the calculation of indoor activity space.	momation Links
	Family Child Care Homes and Private Homes with Licensing Waiver: No space requirement, however, a fire clearance may be needed for a large family child care home.	
How many bathrooms must be available?	Child Care Centers: 1 toilet and sink for every 15 children (if care is provided on school grounds, the toilet requirement is exempted) Family Child Care Homes and Private Homes with Licensing Waiver: Minimum 1 bathroom in the home	HSC section 1596.806 22 CCR section 101239
What are the maximum teacher-to-child ratios allowed for each licensed child care setting?	School-Age Child Care Centers: 1 teacher to every 14 children 1 teacher & 1 aide for 15-28 children Under the Cohort Guidance, of a child care center is serving more than 14 children, the teacher and aide should separately cohort with individual groups of no more than 16 individuals and should not physically interact between multiple cohorts. Small Family Child Care Homes: The maximum number of children for whom care may be provided at any one time, including children under age 10 who reside at the licensee's home, shall be one of the following: (1) 4 infants only; or (2) 6 children, no more than 3 of whom are infants; or (3) More than 6 and up to 8 children (1 child enrolled and attending Kindergarten or elementary school and 1 child at least age 6). Large Family Child Care Homes: The maximum number of children for whom care may be provided at any one time, when there is an assistant provider in the home, including	22 CCR section 101516.5 22 CCR section 102416.5 HSC section 1596.792(e)

Question	Answer	Information Links
	children under age 10 who reside at the licensee's	
	home and the assistant provider's children under	
	age 10, shall be either:	
	(1) 12 children with no more than 4 infants; or	
	(2) More than 12 and up to 14 children (1 child	
	enrolled and attending Kindergarten or elementary	
	school and 1 child at least age 6);	
	(3) No more than 3 infants are cared for during	
	any time when more than 12 children are being	
	cared for. The licensee notifies a parent that the facility is caring for 2 additional school age	
	children and that there may be up to 13 or 14	
	children in the home at one time.	
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	Private Homes with Licensing Waiver:	
	If a TrustLine waiver caregiver is providing care,	
	then the maximum number of children in care is	
	limited to 10 school-aged children.	
	If cooperative care is provided by parents	
	combining efforts for rotating care of all children in	
	the cooperative, the CDPH Cohort Guidance states that the maximum number for the cohort	
	group size is 16 individuals. Note that cooperative	
	caregivers may care for no more than 12 children	
	at a time in the same place.	
	Providers may not care for more children than	
	permitted by statute and regulation or by a waiver	
	issued by the Department.	

Glossary of Terms

Terms	Definitions	Authority
Camps	Operated in compliance with requirements established by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH). Including Accreditation by American Camp Association	HSC section 18897.4 Organized camps shall not be subject to regulation by any state agency other than the State Department of Public Health, California regional water quality control boards, the State Water Resources Control Board, and the State Fire Marshal
Cooperative Care	Care by a relative	HSC section 1596.792

Terms	Definitions	Authority
	No more than 12 children Rotate caregiving	(e) Any cooperative arrangement between parents for the care of their children when no payment is involved, and the arrangement meets all of the following conditions:
	No payment Payment for outside activities and materials allowed	(1) In a cooperative arrangement, parents shall combine their efforts so that each parent, or set of parents, rotates as the responsible caregiver with respect to all the children in the cooperative.
		(2) Any person caring for children shall be a parent, legal guardian, stepparent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, or adult sibling of at least one of the children in the cooperative.
		(3) There can be no payment of money or receipt of in-kind income in exchange for the provision of care. This does not prohibit in-kind contributions of snacks, games, toys, blankets for napping, pillows, and other materials parents deem appropriate for their children. It is not the intent of this paragraph to prohibit payment for outside activities, the amount of which may not exceed the actual cost of the activity.
		(4) No more than 12 children are receiving care in the same place at the same time.
Digital Resources	The term digital learning resource is used here to refer to materials included in the context of a course that support the learner's achievement of the described learning goals. These materials consist of a wide variety of digitally formatted resources including high-speed internet, adaptive supportive equipment, head phones, microphone, most updated software to various applications that allow for collaboration.	CDE <u>Distance Learning Frequently Asked</u> <u>Questions</u>

Terms	Definitions	Authority
Extended Day <i>Care</i> Programs (Public and Private)	Extended day care programs operated by public or private schools. After School Education and Safety Program (ASES) or 21st Century Community Learning Centers operated by city, county, or nonprofit. Up to 60 hours per week, no more than 30 hours per child.	HSC section 1596.792 (h) (h) Extended day care programs operated by public or private schools. Education Code sections 8482.3, Section 8484.3, Section 8484.7, and Section 8484.75
Family, Friend, Neighbor & Relative Caregiving	Care for children from only one family in addition to the caregiver's children -or- Relative Care	HSC section 1596.792 (d) & (f) (d) Any family day care home providing care for the children of only one family in addition to the operator's own children. (f) Any arrangement for the receiving and care of children by a relative.
Instructional Care	Instructional nature in a classroom-like setting Operated when school normally not in session & not to exceed a total of 30 days (school age) or 15 days (preschool age)	HSC section 1596.792(I) (I) Any program that provides activities for children of an instructional nature in a classroom-like setting and satisfies both of the following: (1) Is operated only during periods of the year when students in kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, are normally not in session in the public school district where the program is located due to regularly scheduled vacations. (2) Offers any number of sessions during the period specified in paragraph (1) that when added together do not exceed a total of 30 days when only school-age children are enrolled in the program or 15 days when children younger than school-age are enrolled in the program.
Licensed care Child Care Center or Family Child Care Home	Currently licensed Child Care Center or Family Child Care Home	Governor's Proclamation of State of Emergency

Terms	Definitions	Authority
Pop-up Temporary child care arrangements	Emergency temporary child care created to provide short term solutions for provision of care. Sometimes referred to as "Pop-up" child care. There are several types of "Pop-up" care. Some of the most common types include, but are not limited to: • temporary employer-sponsored care (see below for details), • license-exempt, licensed facilities expanding care	Governor's Proclamation of State of Emergency
Temporary Child Care Arrangements (Employer Sponsored –Popup care)	Temporary Parents on site Specific locations excluded Employer Sponsored	HSC section 1596.792 (k) (k) Any child day care program that offers temporary child care services to parents and that satisfies both of the following: (1) The services are only provided to parents and guardians who are on the same premises as the site of the child day care program. (2) The child day care program is not operated on the site of a ski facility, shopping mall, department store, or any other similar site identified by the department by regulation.
Private Recreation	Operated by YMCAs, Boys/Girls Club, and Boys/Girls Scouts No age, time or duration restriction but, Child Care programs must be licensed	HSC section 1596.793 Recreation programs conducted for children by the YMCA, Girl Scouts of the USA, Boy Scouts of America, Boys and Girls Clubs, Camp Fire USA, organized camps, or similar organizations. However, child day care programs conducted by these organizations and the fees charged for those purposes shall be subject to the requirements of this chapter, Chapter 3.5

Terms	Definitions	Authority
Public Recreation	Operated by state, city,	HSC section 1596.792(g)
Age, Tim Restriction Operate than nor	county, school district, community college Age, Time and Duration Restrictions Operate during hours other than normal school hours or	(g) Any public recreation program. "Public recreation program" means a program operated by the state, city, county, special district, school district, community college district, chartered city, or chartered city and county that meets either of the following criteria:
	when school is not in session	(1) The program is operated only during hours other than normal school hours for kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, in the public school district where the program is located, or operated only during periods when students in kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, are normally not in session in the public school district where the program is located, for either of the following periods:
		(A) For under 20 hours per week.
		(B) For a total of 14 weeks or less during a 12-month period. This total applies to any 14 weeks within any 12-month period, without regard to whether the weeks are consecutive.
		In determining "normal school hours" or periods when students are "normally not in session," the State Department of Social Services shall, when appropriate, consider the normal school hours or periods when students are normally not in session for students attending a year-round school.
		(2) The program is provided to children who are over the age of four years and nine months and not yet enrolled in school and the program is operated during either of the following periods:
		(A) For under 16 hours per week.
		(B) For a total of 12 weeks or less during a 12-month period. This total applies to any 12 weeks within any 12-month period, without regard to whether the weeks are consecutive.

Terms	Definitions	Authority
		(3) The program is provided to children under the age of four years and nine months with sessions that run 12 hours per week or less and are 12 weeks or less in duration. A program subject to this paragraph may permit children to be enrolled in consecutive sessions throughout the year. However, the program shall not permit children to be enrolled in a combination of sessions that total more than 12 hours per week for each child.
School-age child	Child Care Center: Enrolled in First Grade Care exclusively to children kindergarten and above Family Child Care Home: Enrolled in and Attending Kindergarten or at least six years of age	California Code of Regulations section 101152 (s)(1) - Child Care Center "School-Age Child" means any child who meets one of the following: (A) Has entered the first grade or above; (B) Is in a child care program providing care and supervision exclusively to children enrolled in kindergarten and above. California Code of Regulations section 102416.5(i) - Family Child Care Home For the purpose of meeting the criteria in Sections 1597.44 and 1597.465 of the Health and Safety Code "school age child" means a child who meets one of the following criteria: (1) Is enrolled in and attending kindergarten, including transitional kindergarten, or elementary school; or (2) Is at least six years of age