Child Care Resources

Child Care Assistance Programs (CCAP)
- CCAP provides assistance to eligible, low-income Colorado families to pay for child care services from birth to age 13 (or 19 if the child has special needs or a disability and requires child care).
- Each county establishes its own eligibility criteria and income guidelines. Please contact the Department of Human Services in your county of residence for more information or check your eligibility online at www.colorado.gov/PEAK.
  - Applicants must agree to cooperate with Child Support Services.
  - Families can choose their own provider (licensed or unlicensed).
- To find providers who accept CCAP, call 1-877-338-2273 or view a list of providers online at www.qualistar.org.

Jefferson County Dept. of Human Services – CCAP
303-271-4484
- Eligibility
  - Parents who are employed, searching for employment (up to 60 days), attending post-secondary education (up to 24 months), or training for GED, ESL, or Adult Basic Education (up to 6 months)
  - Teen parents (up to age 21) in a high school diploma program, GED program, certificate, or vocational education program
  - Families receiving Colorado Works/TANF
  - Jefferson County resident
- Income Guidelines by family size
  - 2: $2,456   3: $3,097   4: $3,739   5: $4,380
- How to Apply
  - Contact Jefferson County CCAP at 303-271-4484 or apply in person at Jefferson County Human Services.
    - Walk-ins are available at Laramie Building, 3500 Illinois St, Golden, CO
      - Monday - Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Tuesdays 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m
  - To apply, families will need to submit:
    - Social Security numbers for all household members
    - Birth certificates for children
    - Proof of residence in Jefferson County
    - Proof of monthly income
    - Proof of child immunizations
CCAP Contacts in Other Counties

- Denver County: 720-944-5437
- Arapahoe County: 303-636-1170
- Adams County: 303-604-1043
- Gilpin County: 303-582-5444 ext. 1102
  http://www.co.gilpin.co.us/Human%20Services/Child%20care.htm
- Clear Creek County: 303-670-7540
  https://www.co.clear-creek.co.us/index.aspx?nid=113

Child Care Search Resources

Child Care Resource and Referral (CCRR)
(877) 338-2273 or (303) 561-2244

- Provides referral and education services to families seeking child care, including information about location, quality, hours of operation, child care philosophies, licensing requirements and financial assistance.

Qualistar
303-339-6800
http://www.qualistar.org/find-child-care.html

- Child care search engine that provides a listing of child care and family care providers, including information about location, hours of operation, ages served, licensing, and if the provider accepts CCAP.
- Website also provides information about how to choose a safe, quality child care program, including how to do a licensing check, conduct a phone interview, request a tour, and check references.

Colorado Child Care Facility Search
303-866-5948
http://www.colorado.gov/apps/cdhs/childcare/lookup/index.jsf

- Child care search engine based on location.
  - Start the search process by entering your home address. You can specify age range and whether or not you are seeking local in-home and day care center options.
  - A map will appear highlighting the provider contact information.
  - You can also access the provider history which posts information about capacity information, licensing inspections and any complaints filed.

Child Care Providers

Jefferson County Head Start
https://www.jeffco.us/816/Head-Start
Arvada: 5150 Allison Street – 720-497-7900
Wheat Ridge: 12725 W. 42nd Ave – 720-497-7680

- Provides no cost, comprehensive, preschool services for children ages 3-5 years.
  - Children must be 3 years-of-age, and not yet 5 years-of-age, by October 1 of the calendar year in order to be enrolled.
• Serves low-income families in Jefferson, Clear Creek, Gilpin and Park counties
• Income guidelines and enrollment packets are available at: [http://jeffco.us/human-services/head-start/enrollment/](http://jeffco.us/human-services/head-start/enrollment/)

**Lakewood Head Start**
303-987-2490

Multiple locations – Contact Lakewood Head Start for more information.
• Provides no cost, comprehensive, preschool services for children ages 3-5 years.
  o *Children must be 3 years-of-age, and not yet 5 years-of-age, by October 1 of the calendar year in order to be enrolled.*
• Serves low-income families who reside in Lakewood.

**Mother’s Day/Parent’s Day Out**

• Provided by many area churches, Mother’s Day/Parent’s Day Out offers low-cost child care and respite for parents and care givers of young children. Child care is provided one or two days per week for a small fee.
• Multiple Locations. Please contact each location individually for times, dates, and cost of services.
  o Lakewood United Methodist Church: 303-205-3043
    1390 Brentwood St., Lakewood, CO 80214
  o Littleton United Methodist Church: 303-794-6379
    5894 Datura St., Littleton, CO 80120
  o United Methodist Church of Evergreen: 303-674-4810
    3757 Ponderosa Dr., Evergreen, CO 80439
    [http://www.evergreenumc.org/#/preschool/parents-day-out](http://www.evergreenumc.org/#/preschool/parents-day-out)
  o Hope United Methodist Church: 303-779-1040
    5101 S Dayton St. Greenwood Village, CO 80111
    [http://www.hopechangeslives.org/preschool](http://www.hopechangeslives.org/preschool)
  o Washington Park United Methodist: 303-777-4143
    1955 E. Arizona Ave., Denver, CO 80210
  o Wellshire Presbyterian Church: 303-758-2232
    2999 S. Colorado Blvd., Denver, CO 80222
    [http://wpcdenver.org/pdo/](http://wpcdenver.org/pdo/)

**Renaissance Children’s Center**
303-237-6132
1797 Kendall, Lakewood, CO 80214
[http://www.coloradocoalition.org/what_we_do/childcare.aspx](http://www.coloradocoalition.org/what_we_do/childcare.aspx)
• Offers affordable, high quality child development programs for low-income and homeless families.
• Serves children ages 6 weeks to 12 years.
• Accepts CCAP.

**Family Star Montessori and Early Head Start**
Northeast Denver: 2940 Curtis Street, Denver, CO 80205 – 303-295-7711
[www.familystar.net](http://www.familystar.net)
• Offers affordable, high quality childcare, Montessori education, and home-based services for pregnant women, infants, toddlers and young children up to 6 years of age.
• Must be a Denver resident in a specific zip code. Contact each program for more information.
• Accepts TANF and CCAP for Denver.

Ascension Lutheran Church Pre-School
303-730-2514
1701 W. Caley Ave., Littleton 80120
http://www.alcpreschool.com
• Provides a religiously-based preschool program for children age 2 ½- 6 years. Services are offered Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:30am - 2:30pm.
• Registration must include completed doctor’s assessment, immunization record, and emergency contact forms as well as the registration fee of $30 and a supply fee of $20 Please call front office to request an enrollment packet.

US General Services Managed Child Care Facilities
http://www.gsa.gov/portal/category/21987
• Offers quality child care programs to federal workers and citizens in GSA-managed spaces. While federal employees must make up a minimum of 50 percent of child care customers, GSA child care centers are open to the community.
• Multiple Locations. Please contact each program for more details.
  ○ Clever Kids Learning Center – 303-236-9400
    Building 64, Denver Federal Center, Denver, CO 80225
    Ages 6-12
  ○ Colonnade Children’s Center - (303) 844-2428
    1244 Speer Boulevard, Suite 170, Denver, CO 80204
    Ages 6 wks to 6yrs
  ○ Custom House Children’s Center - (303) 844-6514
    721 19th Street, Room B65, Denver, CO 80204
  ○ The Advantage Learning Center - (303) 914-5482
    Union Park Plaza, 155 Van Gordon, Lakewood, CO 80228

Mile High Montessori
303-861-2602
1780 Marion St Denver, CO 80218
http://www.milehighmontessori.org/
• Offers extended day and year-round child care programs for infants and toddlers at six early learning centers and two drop-in centers in Denver.
• For more information about enrollment, please contact the Enrollment Coordinator at 303-962-2617
• Accepts CCAP
• Multiple Locations:
  ○ Edna Oliver Learning Center – 303-295-2011 – 2851 Tremont Place, Denver, CO 80205
  ○ Lowry Montessori – 303-340-1296 – 957 Ulster Way, Denver, CO 80230
  ○ Northeast Learning Center – 303-861-2602 – 3503 Marion St., Denver, CO 80205
  ○ Rude Park Early Learning Center – 303-629-678 – 1275 Decatur St., Denver 80204
  ○ Westwood Child Development – 303-922-1123 – 980 S. Lowell Blvd., Denver 80219
  ○ Denver Court Child Care Drop-In Center – 720-865-9930
    270 West 14th Street, Denver, CO 80202
  ○ Good Beginnings Drop-In Center – 720- 944-2812
Financial Assistance for Federal Employees and the Military

Child Care Subsidies for Federal Employees and the Military
http://www.gsa.gov/portal/category/21987

- Child care subsidy programs provide financial assistance to employees and military members who have children enrolled, or who will be enrolled, in licensed family care homes or child care centers.
- Children must meet the following eligibility criteria
  - Ages birth to 12 years of age (Exception: For the National Park Service children’s ages must fit in the range of birth to 6 years)
  - Or, Disabled and under the age of 18
- For more information or to complete an enrollment packet, call (866) 508-0371 or visit: http://www.gsa.gov/portal/category/26331

Education Programs for Teen Parents

McLain High School JCAPP/ McLain Child Care Center
http://jeffcoweb.jeffco.k12.co.us/high/mclain/web/JCAPPP.htm
303-982-7497 or 303-982-7460
13600 W. 2nd Pl., Lakewood, CO 80228

- Jefferson County Adolescent Parenting Program provides parenting and child development classes to pregnant and parenting teens while they are attending Achieve Academy, as well as child care for students of Jefferson County Schools and Jefferson County school district employees

Florence Crittenton High School
303-321-6363
96 S. Zuni St, Denver, CO 80223
http://flocritco.org/

- A Denver Public Schools Alternative Program for pregnant and parenting teen moms, grades 9 through 12. Provides academics, onsite early childhood education, and family support and services for young fathers.
- Call 720-423-7900 for enrollment.

Children’s Haven Child Care Center
www.childrenshaven.com
303-980-6620
2600 S. Sheridan Blvd., Denver, CO 80227

- Offers affordable child care programs for infants, toddlers, and preschool children, as well as before and after school care for children up to 12 years of age.
- Children of teen parents are welcome. Priority enrollment is given to children of teen parents who are finishing their high school education.
- Serves families who receive CCAP and private pay families in Denver, Jefferson, Adams, Arapahoe and Douglas counties.