



## CHILDREN'S SERVICES

### Targeted Emergency Child Care – School-Aged Children

Updated: April 15, 2021

The DTSSAB, in partnership with local child care agencies, are authorized by the Province of Ontario to provide targeted emergency child care for eligible school-aged children, to eligible parents starting the week of April 19, 2021.

#### ELIGIBILITY

Emergency child care services are reserved exclusively for school-aged children of essential service workers who have no other alternatives. The safest option for your family is to have children remain at home if at all possible.

The DTSSAB's emergency child care spaces are available to workers identified in the Province of Ontario's list of workers eligible for emergency child care. <https://news.ontario.ca/en/release/61164/ontario-announces-emergency-child-care-for-critical-frontline-workers>

NOTE: This list of eligible workers is subject to change as the situation evolves.

#### *Determining Priority Access for Emergency Child Care*

Due to limited spaces, the DTSSAB will commit to child care spaces for eligible families on a first come, first served basis. Should the level of demand exceed the current capacity to provide care, the DTSSAB will prioritize child care space for front-line health care workers and first responders and work closely with our provincial and community partners to determine

#### LOCATIONS

#### *Centre-Based Emergency Child Care Locations\**

##### **New Liskeard**

Keepers of the Circle Child Care Centre – Temiskaming Hospital Site

Keepers of the Circle Child Care Centre – Scott Street Site

Centre pour Enfants Timiskaming Child Care - Centre des petits explorateurs

##### **Kirkland Lake**

Keepers of the Circle Child Care Centre – Burnside Dr Site

#### *Emergency Home Child Care Locations*

*Centre pour enfants Timiskaming Child Care will be offering limited emergency home child care spaces in Kirkland Lake and New Liskeard areas..*

*\*Additional Centres could be added based on demand*



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### APPLICATION

To be eligible, workers must contact the DTSSAB to be screened and to request an application. Completed applications are to be submitted to the DTSSAB via email at [Childrensservices@dtssab.com](mailto:Childrensservices@dtssab.com) or via fax at (705) 647-5267. Spaces are limited therefore eligible applicants will be accepted in accordance with the eligibility list, on a first come, first served basis.

### HEALTH AND SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS

Because physical distancing is difficult when caring for young children, additional measures will be taken in consultation with Timiskaming Health Unit and the Mino M'shki-ki Indigenous Health Team to maintain a healthy and safe environment. Furthermore, authorized centres and home child care sites will be required to follow the guidelines set out in the Ontario Ministry of Health's COVID-19 Guidance.

#### **Enhanced precautions may include, but are not limited to:**

- Daily screening of children, parents/guardians, and staff
- Increased disinfection
- Reduced or reorganized groups and sizes
- Limiting access of child care centres to children in care and staff only
- Limiting access of child care to existing families already using the centre

### CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions or require assistance, contact:

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or

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**CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

**Parent/Guardian Application  
 Targeted Emergency Child Care – School-Aged Children**

The DTSSAB and the Province of Ontario recognize the importance of providing a trusted and safe environment for children so that parents can work. Further to the Premier's April 12, 2021 announcement, approved local child care operators will be providing Targeted Emergency Child Care for eligible school-aged children, starting the week of April 19, 2021.

The approved licensed home and centre-based child care agencies are required to follow existing health and safety requirements and have a plan in place should any staff, children or parents be exposed to the virus. The DTSSAB continues to work with our local Medical Officer of Health and approved child care operators to ensure that additional precautionary safety measures are put in place.

Targeted Emergency Child Care is available to essential workers who meet the criteria as outlined by the Province of Ontario and who have no other child care options. Should the level of demand exceed the capacity to provide care, the DTSSAB will prioritize child care spaces based on this outline for front-line health care workers and first responders.

<b>Parent/Guardian Information</b>		<b>*Please note verification of employment may be requested</b>
Parent/Guardian Name:		Do you currently work from home?
<b>Home Phone:</b>	Cell Phone:	Employer:
Email address:		Position Title:
Address:		Employer Contact Information: (Phone or email address)
City/ Province/ Postal Code		Work Phone / Extension:

<b>If applicable: Other Parent/Guardian Information</b>		<b>*Please note verification of employment may be requested</b>
Parent/Guardian Name:		Do you currently work from home?
<b>Home Phone:</b>	Cell Phone:	Employer:
Email address:		Position Title:
Address:		Employer Contact Information: (Phone or email address)
City/ Province/ Postal Code		Work Phone / Extension:

<b>Care Requested – As of _____</b>		
Please check the box(es) that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Part-time</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Full-time</b>		
Details of Care Required: (Eg. Days/Times/Shift work)		
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**Eligible Child(ren) Information**

Last name	First Name	Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Special Requirements, Medical Conditions or Other

**Preferred Location – Please choose from the list below.**

Was your Child/ren attending a childcare site before School Closure for before or after school care?  
 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, which site? \_\_\_\_\_

Municipality	Child Care Agency / Home Child Care
New Liskeard	<input type="checkbox"/> Keepers of the Circle Child Care Centre – Temiskaming Hospital Site <input type="checkbox"/> Keepers of the Circle Child Care Centre – Scott Street Site <input type="checkbox"/> Centre pour Enfants Timiskaming Child Care - Centre des petits explorateurs
Kirkland Lake	<input type="checkbox"/> Keepers of the Circle Child Care Centre – Burnside Drive Site
Various Locations	<input type="checkbox"/> Home Child Care (Centre pour enfants Timiskaming Child Care)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____

**NOTE :** Additional Centres / Home Child Care locations could be added based on demand

**Signature & Consent**

- I declare that by submitting this application I agree that all the information presented here is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
- I confirm understanding of the following conditions of the DTSSAB's targeted emergency child care funding and give consent for the DTSSAB to collect information regarding the attendance for the above children.
  1. I am eligible because I am a worker in an eligible position that is on the List of Workers Eligible for Emergency Child Care determined by the province of Ontario;
  2. I consent to the exchange of information between my employer, the DTSSAB and the Licensed Home and/or centre-based Child Care Agency for the sole purpose of determining or verifying the administration of the Targeted Emergency Child Care funding;
  3. I authorize the Licensed Home and/or centre-based Child Care Agency to provide the DTSSAB my child(ren)'s attendance;
  4. I will notify the child care centre and/or Licensed home child care provider and not send my child(ren) if either my child(ren) or myself has COVID-19 symptoms as per the Ontario's Screening Tool;
  5. Please speak to your Child Care Providers regarding the ability to accommodate virtual learning.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Print Name : \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Please submit completed forms to [childrenservices@dtssab.com](mailto:childrenservices@dtssab.com)  
 or fax to 705-647-5267 to determine eligibility**