

NEW

CHILD CARE LAW

IMPORTANT

Effective December 1, 2003

It is a felony to willfully operate an illegal child care program

By law, an individual must become licensed if they are caring for more than two children unrelated to them for more than four hours a day on a regular basis, except in specific circumstances, such as seasonal child care (offered for only 3 months out of the year). Child care programs are licensed and regulated by the Division of Child Development (DCD).

If you have any questions about starting or operating a child care program, please call Smart Start of Davidson County a Partnership for Children at 336 249-6688. Smart Start of Davidson county offers a variety of programs to support child care providers and quality child care programs for young children.

Additional information about licensing can be obtained from the Division of Child Development, the NC child care licensing and monitoring agency, at 1-800-859-0829 or www.ncchildcare.net

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