

COVID-19 Steps for Reopening

a Preschool or School Age Childcare Program License

The recent amended Order for all K-12 schools clarified the closure until June 30th, 2020 does not apply to preschool and school age childcare (SACC) programs licensed by the Ohio Department of Education. Preschool and SACC programs previously licensed may open under the new guidelines effective June 9, 2020.

The Ohio Child Licensing and Quality System (OCLQS) has been enhanced to allow for programs to enter a proposed opening date.

If reopening in 2020:

- Log into OCLQS.
- Complete the “Notice of Reopening” information by checking yes and add the date you plan to reopen.
- Any changes in operating hours, days, funding sources or rooms used must be made by following the OCLQS job aids posted for Preschool Licensing [here](#) and School Age Child Care [here](#).

If your program is not reopening in 2020:

- Log into OCLQS.
- Complete the “Notice of Reopening” information by checking “No”.
- Additionally, your program needs to request a permanent closure in OCLQS using “Manage Programs” and “Request Closure”. Please note only individuals with the OCLQS Owner role in the Ohio Educational Directory System (OEDS) may request permanent closure.

If you have questions, please e-mail OELSR.Licensing@education.ohio.gov

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Reopening flow chart 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ OCLQS Notice of Reopening Job Aid ➤ Transitional rules for Preschool and School Age Child Care ➤ Mandates and best practices 	<p>Best Practices for Child Care Reopening:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Training slide deck ➤ Recorded training <p>Child Care Mental Health Training:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Training slide deck ➤ Recorded training <p>Social Distancing in Early Care and Education: Feasible or Impossible?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Recorded Webinar 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Talking to Kids ➤ Mental Health Toolkit ➤ Stop the Spread CDC Poster ➤ Hand Washing CDC Poster