

# Resources for Care and Education of School-Age Children due to COVID-19

During the COVID-19 pandemic, families are having to make difficult decisions about the care and education of their children. The following is a guide to highlight some available options and requirements that might apply for Pennsylvania families.

If school-aged children are learning remotely through a public, private or religious school and your intent is to:

Then:

Provide supervision or non-instructional support to 5 or fewer unrelated school-aged children

Hire a tutor to help your school-aged children in your own home

Provide supervision or non-instructional support to more than 5 unrelated school-age children when they cannot be in school and are learning remotely

Form a "learning pod" with other parents/guardians to take turns supervising each other's children (maximum of 12 children) when they are participating in remote learning through their school.

Provide licensed child care and offer some non-instructional supports to school-age children

Fulfill the state compulsory attendance requirements and provide instruction **for school-age children for whom you are the parent, guardian, or legal custodian**

Fulfill the state compulsory attendance requirements and provide the majority of instruction and education **for school-age children who are not from your household, but who are members of a single family**

Fulfill the state compulsory attendance requirements and provide instruction and education **for school-age children who are not from your household**

There are no additional requirements. Resources for promoting a positive learning environment at home and online are available the Pennsylvania Department of Education website.

You must submit the Notification of Operation as Non-Licensed School Age Provider form to the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services for the 2020-21 school year.

You are a child care provider that must be licensed by the Department of Human Services.

You are homeschooling your children and must obtain approval to establish a home education program.

You are operating as a private tutor and must be properly qualified.

You are operating a school and must be recognized as a school entity by the PA Department of Education.