



# ROCK COUNTY EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE REPORT 2017

In June 2017 there were 37 family child care homes in Rock County, four fewer than in 2016. One provider speaks Spanish. One does over night or late shift care. One home is nationally accredited.

## EDUCATION/TRAINING

Whenever possible, as with CDA certificates, data has been confirmed or obtained from certifying authorities. Most other education and training data has been obtained from the providers themselves. Almost all have SIDS/SBS prevention training.

<b>Highest Level of EDUCATION</b>		<b>Family Child Care Training March 2017</b>		<b>YOUNGSTAR</b>	
Some High School	0%	No Classes or Child Care Degrees	0%	None	29%
High School Diploma	15%	Minimum Required Courses	4%	One Star	0%
Some College	31%	More than Minimum Required Courses	41%	Two Star	38%
1 year certificate	8%	1 Year Diploma-Child Related	18%	Three Star	22%
Associate Degree	35%	2 Year Degree-Child Related	33%	Four Star	3%
BA Degree	4%	4 Year Degree-Child Related	0%	Five Star	8%
Grad Study MA or Ph.D	7%	Master's Degree-Child Related	4%		
W College Degrees	11.0%	CDA	0%		

## FAMILY CHILD CARE BENEFITS

Family child care providers receive benefits predominately through contracts with their customers. The percentage listed is the percent of the providers surveyed in a category reporting that benefit.

**HEALTH CARE:** The number of providers that lack health insurance was 37% suggesting costs have exceeded many providers ability to pay. 37% of the providers with health care receive it via a government program – the largest program being Obamacare which serves 21% of the providers. 5% have health care from being self-employed at their family child care home. The highest percentage (58%) still are insured through their spouses.

### BENEFITS BY TYPE OF PROGRAM AND COST

Have Substitute for Sick/Vacation Days	8%	All FCC	
Maintain Liability Insurance	96%	Has Health Care	63%
Paid Sick Days	28%	Of those that have health care	
Average Provider Sick Days	4.6	Through spouse	58%
Paid Vacation Days	54%	Through Medicare/Medicaid	16%
Average Provider Vacation Days	9.4	Through Obamacare	21%
Late Pick up Fee	51%	Through a second job	0%
Average Late pick up fee by hour*	\$65.74	Through the family child care	5%
Average pick up fee by minute	\$1.10		
Registration Fee	58%	Holding Fees	30%
Average Registration fee	\$45.00	Security Deposits	11%
Median Regsitration fee	\$50		

*\*Averages for late pick up fees are based on hourly totals, but most are charged for either each minute past closing or for every 15 minutes past closing.*

## AVERAGE RATES ROCK COUNTY FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES

The first line in each rate category is the number of homes using that rate. Hourly rates are for part-time regular care. 20% of the providers do not accept Wisconsin Shares. In addition 91% of the providers will not accept the maximum reimbursement rate and require additional co-pays making their programs unaffordable to many families on Shares. 22% offer discounts for siblings, 65% offer no discounts or other financial assistance for parents. Rate changes were mixed this year. A lot of the changes were due to either fewer family child care homes or homes deciding to no longer offer some rate options.

Infants Under 1	Weekly	Daily	Hourly
# Homes Reporting	15	5	5
Range	\$130-\$225	\$40-\$58	\$3.50-\$4
Average	\$175.66	\$46.60	\$3.80
Median	\$180.00	\$45.00	\$3.75
Toddlers (Age 1-2)			
# Homes Reporting	15	6	9
Range	\$130-\$225	\$30-\$54	\$3.50-\$10
Average	\$174.66	\$42.33	\$5.55
Median	\$180.00	\$40.00	\$4.00
Two Year Olds			
# Homes Reporting	15	6	10
Range	\$130-\$215	\$27-\$50	\$3.25-\$10
Average	\$169.00	\$38.16	\$5.45
Median	\$175.00	\$40.00	\$4.50
Preschool Ages 3-5			
# Homes Reporting	15	6	10
Range	\$130-\$203	\$27-\$45	\$3-\$8
Average	\$160.00	\$36.66	\$5.05
Median	\$150.00	\$38.00	\$4.50
School Age			
# Homes Reporting	13	5	10
Range	\$120-\$203	\$27-\$45	\$3-\$8
Average	\$155.25	\$35.40	\$5.10
Median	\$150.00	\$38.00	\$4.75

**PARENTS PAYING FOR DAYS THEIR CHILDREN DO NOT ATTEND:** Almost all of the child care providers have contracts that charge parents for time when their children are not in care. How they structure payments for those situations vary depending on whether the child is sick or on vacation. Some programs use an accrual process where days are accrued on a monthly basis. Others just set a flat number of days for the entire period covered by the contract. Virtually everybody who provided any type of sick or vacation day policy for children attending care only do it for children attending full time. There are no pro-rated options for families attending part time or on rotating schedules.

In terms of a sick child 71% just charge the full cost of care. 14% provide some sort of sick day policy – a set number of days where their parent will not be charged if the child is sick and not attending the family child care home-the average being 6 days. 58% charge parents when the family takes a vacation. The average number of days allotted without charge by the other providers is 5 days.

**RESOURCES:**

Get Paid for Part of the Cost of Food You Serve: 4-C Food Program 800-292-2428 – [foodprog@4-C.org](mailto:foodprog@4-C.org)  
 Find family child care support groups in your area 1-800-750-KIDS - [info@4-C.org](mailto:info@4-C.org)  
 Know someone who would like to do child care? [certification@4-C.org](mailto:certification@4-C.org) 1-800-750-KIDS