

WHAT ARE MY CHOICES?

	<p style="text-align: center;">Child Care Centers</p> <p>Provide care to groups of children in a facility rather than in a home. These programs may be found in a central location, and the children are broken into classrooms based on age.</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">NC Pre-K Programs (Formerly More at Four)</p> <p>State funded programs that serve at-risk four-year-olds to prepare them for school. These programs usually operate part-days during the school year. *Participants must qualify.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Family Child Care Homes</p> <p>Provide care in the caregiver's home. There are no more than eight children (five preschool children and 3 school-age children) in care. These programs may offer more flexible hours, but the children in care may range in age.</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">School-Age Programs</p> <p>Provide care for school-age children outside of school hours. They may operate as part of a school or independent of a school.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Part Day Preschools</p> <p>Provide care less than a full day. They can be found in many places, such as a church, child care center, or school. These programs may offer opportunities for child socialization but may not offer after care.</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Public Pre-K Programs</p> <p>Programs for four-year-olds that operate inside a public school. These programs usually follow the public school system hours and calendar. *Participants must qualify.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Summer Day Camps</p> <p>Seasonal recreational programs that provide care to school-age children. These programs operate less than four months a year.</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Licensed Family Child Care Homes</p> <p>Provide care in a caregiver's home. Operators of these programs may provide care for no more than two children not related to them. These programs are not regulated by the state.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Head Start Programs</p> <p>Federally funded programs that provide care to three- and four-year olds from low-income households. There is no cost and parents must be actively involved. These programs usually operate part-days during the school year. *Participants must qualify.</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Nanny</p> <p>Nannies provide care in your home. You should carefully research the background of any nanny you select and request referrals from families they have worked with in the past.</p>