

DAY CARE AND CHILD CARE

Churches and schools operating child day care and schools operating before and after-school child care programs shall do the following:

1. Comply with the state law for licensed child care centers serving school age children.
2. Make application and meet the requirements for religious exemption status.

Schools operating pre-kindergarten programs shall do one of the following:

1. Meet the minimum standards for licensed child care centers serving children of preschool age or younger.
2. Meet the applicable state code requirements for the certification of a preschool or nursery school (VA 63.1-196.3:1; MD FL 5-570-5-585).
3. Meet the state code requirements for a religious exemption (VA 63.1-196.3; MD FL 5-570-5-585).

Schools planning to operate any of the above child care programs shall file a letter of intent with the Office of Education at least 30 days prior to making application to the state. Copies of all applications and documentation for the operation of before and after school care programs and pre kindergarten programs operated by Potomac Conference schools shall be filed with the Office of Education at the same time they are filed with the state. Any additional correspondence with the state, including but not limited to licensing shall also be filed with the Office of Education.

There will be no Potomac Conference subsidy for before and after school pre kindergarten, or child day care programs.