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## **Cortland County Child Care Assistance Program**

The Department of Social Services provides funding for child care provided by state regulated child care programs or private providers approved through the Child Development Council. Funding is given to eligible families under 300% of the Federal poverty level. All guidelines and regulations are statewide and apply to every county. The income guidelines that are effective 8/1/2022 are as follows:

Family Size	300% of Poverty	300% of Poverty
	(monthly income)	(yearly income)
1	\$3,398	\$40,770
2	\$4,578	\$54,930
3	\$5,758	\$69,090
4	\$6,938	\$83,250
5	\$8,118	\$97,410
6	\$9,298	\$111,570
7	\$10,478	\$125,730
8	\$11,658	\$139,890
Each add'l person		\$14,160

There may be a parent fee which the parents would have to pay the provider themselves. Families should keep in mind that the more income they have, the higher their parent fee will be. Grandparents or other guardians for children who are not biological parents may have a minimal parent fee.

To apply, the parent would need to provide current proof of income, identification for all family members, verification of residence, and show that all working parents in the household are employed. For an application or for more information, individuals should contact DSS at 607-753-5230, or go to <a href="www.mybenefits.ny.gov">www.mybenefits.ny.gov</a>. The Tompkins County DSS number is 607-274-5219. All applications and documentation are submitted through the mail; a face-to-face interview is not required. For individuals looking for a child care provider, they should contact the Child Development Council at (607)753-0106.

Section 415.9	Rates GROUP 3 COUNTIES (Cortland)	Effective	6/1/2022			
DAY CARE CE	NTER		Under 1 ½ yrs	1 ½ - 2 yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
Weekly			\$295	\$275	\$253	\$245
Daily			\$64	\$59	\$55	\$55
Part-Day			\$43	\$39	\$37	\$37

SCHOOL-AGE CHILD CARE	Under 1 ½ yrs	1 ½ - 2 yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
Weekly	\$0	\$0	\$253	\$245
Daily	\$0	\$0	\$55	\$55
Part-Day	\$0	\$0	\$37	\$37

LEGALLY-EXEMPT GROUP CHILD CARE STANDARD RATE	Under 1 ½ yrs	1 ½ - 2 yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
Weekly	\$0	\$0	\$190	\$184
Daily	\$0	\$0	\$41	\$41
Part-Day	\$0	\$0	\$28	\$28
FAMILY DAY CARE HOME AND GROUP FAMILY DAY CARE HOME	Under 2 yrs	2 yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
Weekly	\$266	\$252	\$250	\$225
Daily	\$55	\$53	\$50	\$50
Part-Day	\$37	\$35	\$33	\$33

INFORMAL CHILD CARE STANDARD RATE	Under 2 yrs	2 yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
Weekly	\$173	\$164	\$163	\$146
Daily	\$36	\$34	\$33	\$33
Part-Day	\$24	\$23	\$21	\$21

INFORMAL CHILD CARE ENHANCED RATE	Under 2 yrs	2 yrs	3-5 yrs	6-12 yrs
Weekly	\$186	\$176	\$175	\$158
Daily	\$39	\$37	\$35	\$35
Part-Day	\$26	\$25	\$23	\$23