Child Care Information

Resource and Referral

Children's Home Society has Resource and Referral information about child care options and child care referrals to licensed child care programs in Orange County. The website is www.chs-ca.org and the Hotline numbers are (949) 364-6605 and (714) 543-2273. There are CARES Act child care vouchers available for essential and low-income workers. <a href="https://child.care.child.ca

Early Childhood OC has a link on their website to a searchable database of currently open child care centers and family child care homes and payment assistance. The providers on the list are not endorsed by Early Childhood OC or any other agency. Early Care and Education Centers and Family Childcare Providers self-reported and gave permission for their information to be published. The list is updated each Friday. https://sites.google.com/view/ecoc-covid-19/home

Community-Based Agencies

Boys & Girls Club of Capistrano Valley is an afterschool nonprofit, offering quality programs for academic success and healthy lifestyles while building good character and leadership skills. A positive place for kids and teens. http://bgccapo.com

Boys & Girls Club of Laguna Beach has three in-person opportunities for students. Canyon and Bluebird Enrichment Centers run afterschool, Monday-Thursday from dismissal to 6:00pm and Friday from 8:00am-4:30pm. Middle School pods are also available Mon-Thurs starting at 8am for facilitated distance learning. Staff support students in grades K – 8th with homework and then run fun and safe enrichment, recreation, and social facilitation activities in the afternoon. There's also a new Teen Center at Lang Park that serves students 7th grade and up. The third is at El Toro Park that runs similar to the Canyon and Bluebird programs. El Toro Park is for Grades K-8 and runs 8:00am – 4:30pm. Daily wellness checks and face coverings are required for both staff and students. All programs have assigned "pods" of 5-10 young people and designated staff for each pod. The programs practice physical distance, regular hand sanitizing, and rigorous disinfecting protocol throughout the day. To learn more and to register click HERE.

Boys & Girls Club of the South Coast Area has programs to provide children a safe, inviting environment to complete homework assignments, have a snack and a hot meal, and be involved in creative activities with their group leaders and peers. There are several options to enroll in. Each option involves a weekly commitment. 2020 Fall School Programs

<u>Kids Factory</u> is a fun, drop-in recreation program offering activities including games and crafts. The program has been modified to comply with current health and safety guidelines. It is funded

by the City of Mission Viejo and conducted by Saddleback Valley Unified School District Community Services staff. The program is for students in grades K-5, located at Bathgate, Carl Hankey, Castille, Reilly, and Viejo Elementary Schools and should not be considered an accredited child-care program. The start date for the 2020-2021 school year is still being determined. For more information, call 949-460-2777 or email communityservices@svusd.org.

Right At School – *Coming Soon to the following middle schools:* Bernice Ayer, Carl Hankey, Ladera Ranch, Marco Forster, Shorecliffs, Vista Del Mar. Right At School provides an enriching, fun, and social environment where autonomy and choice are encouraged. Students are grouped into pods to ensure a healthy environment for homework and enrichment activities. https://rightatschool.com/districts/capistrano-ca/

YMCA of Orange County offers distance learning support, before & afterschool child care, clubs, enrichment activities and more right on school campuses. The program is available Monday – Friday 6:45 am – 6:00 pm. Financial assistance may be available. To learn more about their programs, fees and schedule visit www.ymcaoc.org/child-care

Virtual Resources:

Infant and Other Information and Resources:

First 5 Orange County published a resource to support families with infants. Caring for Your Baby

Help Me Grow works to ensure families get access to the programs and services they need to support their child's development. Help Me Grow connects families with children ages 0-8 years, to resources that foster their child's healthy development. During this time, children may need additional activities and supports while at home. The Child Development Care Coordinators are available: Monday - Thursday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM and Friday, 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Call 1-866-GROW-025 (1-866-476-9025) or enter the families contact information through their online portal www.helpmegrowoc.org