Ohio Child Day Camps: Quick Info Card

Registered Child Day Camp
A child day camp that has completed and submitted a registration and fee to the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS).

- All child day camps MUST be registered between January 1 and March 14 annually.
- Employee Background Check Requirement: Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) and FBI fingerprinting

Approved Child Day Camp
A camp accredited by the American Camp Association, registered with ODJFS, AND approved by ODJFS to provide publicly funded child care, per Ohio Administrative Code Rule 5101:2-16-44.

- Additional Step: All child day camps wishing to be approved must submit an ADDITIONAL application in the Ohio Child Licensing and Quality System (OCLQS) by April 14 annually.
- Employee Background Check Requirement: Child day camp providers must complete and keep on file a JFS 01176, “Program Notification of Background Check Review for Child Care,” for each employee.

Important Dates

- **March 14**: Deadline to renew registration in OCLQS
- **March 15**: All child day camp registrations and/or approvals automatically close each year if not renewed in OCLQS by March 14
- **April 14**: Deadline for child day camps wishing to be approved to complete the additional steps and submit the annual application within OCLQS

Helpful Links

Ohio Child Day Camp Information, Webinar, Definitions, FAQs and Rules | jfs.ohio.gov/cdc/daycamps.stm
Ohio Child Care Day Camp Manual, including Transmittal Letters, Procedure Letters and Rules | emanuals.jfs.ohio.gov/ChildCare/DayCamp
OCLQS Provider Portal | oclqs.force.com
OCLQS Web-Based Trainings and Job Aids | earlychildhoodohio.org/sutq/Web-Training.stm
Background Check Review Procedures, Guidance and Webcheck Instructions | jfs.ohio.gov/cdc/Background_Check_Process.stm
American Camp Association Information | acacamps.org