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Office Use ONLY:

Confirm document review and understanding upon receipt

Classroom	Initials	Date

REGISTRATION FORM (18mth - 5 Yrs Old)

Child's Last Name First Name Date of Birth

Child's Gender : Male Female Decline to Specify

Street Address City/Town Zip

Municipality: Caroline Danby Dryden Enfield Lansing Newfield City of Ithaca
 Town of Ithaca Groton Ulysses Outside of Tomkins County Out of State

1.)Parent/Caregiver's First Name Last Name Email Address

Cell Phone Number Cell Phone Provider (for text messaging) Work Phone Number

2.)Parent/Caregiver's First Name Last Name Email Address

Cell Phone Number Cell Phone Provider (for text messaging) Work Phone Number

**Optional - Please provide your child's race & ethnicity (more than one race can be chosen) In accordance with Federal Law, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability.*

Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino Not Hispanic/Latino

Race: American Indian or Alaskan Native Asian Black or African American Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander White

Meals are served every day: Breakfast -9am, Lunch-11:30, Snack-3pm

Please List ONLY Food/Medication/Environmental Allergy(s): Check this box if Not Applicable

The Downtown Ithaca Children's Center is open from 7:30am to 5:30pm, Monday-Friday.

- I consent to the enrollment of the child listed above in the Downtown Ithaca Children's Center and have been advised of the policies regarding fees, transportation and the services provided by the Center and the New York State Office of Family and Children's Services regulations under which it operates.
- I agree that in case of accident or injury, emergency medical care may be given in the event that I or person(s) designated above cannot be reached.
- I have read and understand the information in the Downtown Ithaca Children's Center Parent handbook.

Parent/Guardian Signature Date Social Security #

Downtown Ithaca Children's Center Information Card

CHILD LAST NAME **FIRST NAME** **DATE OF BIRTH**

CHILD STREET ADDRESS **TOWN/CITY** **STATE** **ZIP CODE**

EMERGENCY CONTACTS:

Relationship to Child	Name	Phone #	Alternative Phone # (Optional)
Parent/Guardian			

I give consent for this child to take part in field trips away from the Center under proper supervision.

I give consent for this child to be photographed.

I agree that in case of an accident or injury, emergency medical care may be given in the event that I or the person(s) designated above cannot be reached.

Signature **Date**

The following people have my permission to pick up my child _____ from the Downtown Ithaca Children's Center.

Relationship to Child	Name	Phone #	Alternative Phone # (Optional)
Parent/Guardian			

Signature **Date**

Picture Consent

Child Name: _____

I give the Downtown Ithaca Children's Center permission for the following pictures and specified use of pictures taken of my child:

Pictures

Video

Pictures for the Newsletter

Internet/Television

DO NOT take any pictures of my child.

Parent Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Permission For Staff to Apply Topical Ointment

Child Name: _____

Downtown Ithaca Children's Center staff members have my permission to apply to my child when appropriate, the following over the counter topical ointments:

- 1.) Diaper rash ointment (on diaper area as part of diapering routine when redness or rash is present). *Choose one:*

_____ Product provided by the Center

_____ ONLY product supplied by Parent

- 2.) Antibiotic ointment, cream or other appropriate topical over the counter product used for first aid (on the affected area when a slight injury requires the product for first aid). *Please list any exceptions:*

Sun Screen (on skin that is exposed to the sun before going outside). *Choose one:*

_____ Product provided by the Center

_____ ONLY product supplied by Parent

I understand that staff members will read and follow all instructions and report any unusual reactions to me (the parent).

Parent Signature

Date

Napping Agreement

Child Name: _____

I agree to have my child nap in/on a **mat or cot** which will be placed in the child's classroom while s/he is in the Downtown Ithaca Children's Center's child care program.

DICC will directly supervise my child during nap time. The program will adhere to the required ratios of caregivers to children at all times as determined by regulations.

Parent/Guardian Name *(Please Print)*

Signature

Date

Transportation Agreement

Child Name: _____

I give permission for the Downtown Ithaca Children's Center, or any approved employee of Downtown Ithaca Children's Center, to transport my child for field trips, excursions to the park, emergency purposes or any reason deemed necessary by the program.

As per the DICC Transportation Policy:

1. DICC will obtain written consent from the parent/caregiver for any transportation of their child and will keep the transportation policy and the written parental consent on file at the center. Parents can be given a copy.
2. A child will never be left unattended in any motor vehicle or other form of transportation.
3. Every child will board or leave a vehicle from the curb side of the street.
4. Each child will be secured in safety seats or safety belts as required by law. Safety seats will be supplied by the parents/caregiver or the daycare. Notice will be given on who will be supplying the safety seats.
5. Drivers will be 18 years of age or older and hold a current valid license to drive the class of vehicle they are operating. All vehicles used to transport children must have a current registration and inspection sticker.
6. The parents/caregiver will be provided a copy of this plan at enrollment. If the plan changes, the parents/caregiver will be provided a copy of the amended transportation plan prior to its start date.
7. The use of cell phones or any other electronic device during transport, including hands-free devices, is prohibited. Necessary calls will be made once the vehicle is parked in a legally permitted position off the road.
8. During the transport of children, the program will adhere to the required ratio of caregivers to children at all times as determined by regulations.

Parent/Guardian Name *(Please Print)*

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Key Fob Contract

Child Name: _____

I understand that it is my responsibility to report any lost, stolen or misplaced key fobs immediately to DICC Administration. I understand and agree to pay a \$10.00 replacement fee per fob for a duplicate copy.

I also understand and agree to return the key fob to the office when permanently leaving the Center if I fail to do so I will pay a \$10.;00 fee. This is imperative for the safety of all children and staff.

Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature(s) _____ Date _____

_____ Date _____

Office Use ONLY:

Key Fob # _____

New Enrollment Intake Form

Share the information below with Downtown Ithaca Children's Center to allow our staff a better understanding of the child who will be joining their class.

Child's Name:

Nickname:

Child's Age:

Primary Language
Spoken at Home:

Siblings:

Secondary Language
Spoken at home?

Pets:

Special Friends:

Favorite toy/game?

Does your child have friends over or has he/she stayed away from home?

Is your child independent with toileting skills?

Does your child nap and if so, what time and for how long?

Is there anything special – a blanket or story – that helps soothe at naptime?

Does your child have strong likes or dislikes in food?

Does your child have any medically identified allergies?

*If your child requires an Epi-pen for this allergy please complete the attach form OCFS_-6029

What do you feel are your child's social skills? Do you feel your child has any challenges with social skills?

What helps your child when he/she is feeling frustration?

What are your child's strengths?

How does your child learn best?

Do you have goals we can work together on to achieve?

Are there any cultural traditions meaningful to your family? How can we help honor those traditions at our program?

How does your child respond to changes in routine? What is the best way to support them during a transition?

Has your child received an evaluation from Early Intervention or your home school district? If yes, are they currently receiving any services? (Please be specific.)

If no, do you have interest in an evaluation?

Leave Blank



Downtown Ithaca Children's Center Parent/Caregiver Code of Conduct:

Downtown Ithaca Children's Center is committed to maintaining a respectful environment that is conducive to learning, as well as ensuring the safety of children, parents, visitors, and staff in all our programs and facilities. In order to maintain an open, positive, courteous, respectful and secure environment, it is essential that all parents/guardians and visitors adhere to the expected code of conduct onsite and/or at Downtown Ithaca Children's Center events as outlined below:

Procedure

All parents/guardians and visitors involved with the program will:

- Respect and promote the unique identity of each child, staff, and family. Do not stereotype on any basis, including gender, race, ethnicity, culture, religion, disability, sexual orientation, or family composition.
- Follow program confidentiality policies concerning information about children, families, and staff members. No photos or video without permission. Use extreme caution and exercise good judgment when interacting with agency staff on social media platforms or messaging applications. Employees will use extreme caution when accepting a "friend request" or request to communicate via social media with any child's family member or care provider.
- Use positive methods to support children's well-being, prevent and address challenging behavior.
- Conduct themselves personally and professionally in a manner that reflects positively upon the programs' reputation and upon the children and families the program
- Maintain courteous and respectful relationships with program associates, consultants, and staff, as well as other parents, guardians, volunteers, children and other participants.

Downtown Ithaca Children's Center will not tolerate behavior by parents/guardians, visitors, or anyone else involved with the program that violates the Code of Conduct. Examples of violations include, but are not limited to the following:

- Using threatening, hostile, intimidating, bullying, harassing, or coercive language or behavior toward employees, volunteers, or children, including a child's family members and care providers.
- Words or actions that intimidate, harass or discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, gender, sex, sexual orientation or disability.
- Physical or verbally aggressive punishment of a child.
- Excessive swearing or cursing.
- Smoking/vaping.
- Quarreling, verbal fighting, loud shouting, and displays of anger.
- Possess, consume, sell, distribute or exchange alcoholic beverages and/or controlled substances, or be under the influence of either on agency property or at an agency function.
- Possess or use weapons in or on agency property or at an agency function.



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- Physical violence.
- Inappropriate or excessive displays of physical affection between adults.
- Clothing with discriminatory, offensive, or inappropriate statements or designs is prohibited. Nothing in this policy is intended to discriminate against any person and does not limit or alter any person's apparel or grooming styles dictated by one's religion, ethnicity, or national origin. Violate any federal or state statute, local ordinance or board policy while on agency property or at an agency function.
- Any action that disrupts the Downtown Ithaca Children's Center program.

If a parent/guardian or visitor violates the Code of Conduct, Downtown Ithaca Children's Center reserves the right to:

- Restrict parent/guardian or visitor access to program children, classrooms, functions, and/or facilities.
- Contact Department of Social Services
- Contact the police.
- Take civil or criminal action.
- Immediate termination of placement at Downtown Ithaca Children's Center

Effective 4/8/24

I have read the Downtown Ithaca Children's Center Parent/Caregiver Code of Conduct and agree to the terms stated above.

Child's Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Dear Parent, Guardian or CACFP Participant,

This center participates in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) and provides healthy meals at no cost to all children and adults enrolled in the daycare center. By completing and returning the attached Income Eligibility Form, you will help your center receive money from CACFP for the meals that are served. If your household’s income is equal to or less than the amounts indicated for your household size on the chart below, the center will receive a higher rate of funding for the meals served. The Income Eligibility Form needs to be completed every year. Your center and CACFP will keep all information private.

**INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES
(Effective July 1, 2020 until June 30, 2021)**

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	REDUCED-PRICE MEALS		
	YEAR	MONTH	WEEK
1	23,606	1,968	454
2	31,894	2,658	614
3	40,182	3,349	773
4	48,470	4,040	933
5	56,758	4,730	1,092
6	65,046	5,421	1,251
7	73,334	6,112	1,411
8	81,622	6,802	1,570
FOR EACH ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER	+8,288	+691	+160

Krista Tripp
SPONSOR/CENTER OFFICIAL

Downtown Ithaca Children’s Center
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION

2023
DATE

See INSTRUCTIONS on reverse.

CHILD CARE CENTER NAME _____

Print the name of the child(ren) enrolled in this child care center

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Complete SECTION A if anyone in your household

- 1. Participates in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- 2. Receives Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)
- 3. Participates in the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) OR
- 4. Is a foster child

SECTION A

SNAP Case # _____

TANF # _____

FDPIR # _____

Names of Foster Children

An adult household member must sign the application before it can be approved. After reading the following statement and the statement on the back, sign below.

I certify that the above information is true. I understand that the center will get Federal funds based on the information I give.

Signature _____

Date _____

FOR THE CHILDCARE CENTER TO COMPLETE

CACFP Agreement # _____

Total Number of Household Members _____
(INCLUDING FOSTER CHILDREN, IF APPLICABLE)

Total Household Income \$ _____

Free _____ Reduced _____ Paid _____

Date of Determination _____

Signature of
Center Staff _____

Complete SECTION B if no one in your household participates in SNAP, receives TANF, participates in FDPIR or if none of the children enrolled in the child care center is a foster child.

SECTION B

List all household members below. Include yourself and all adults and children NOT listed above, even if they do not receive income. Then list all income received **last month** in your household in the column to the right. Gross income includes: earnings from work, pensions, retirement, Social Security, child support, foster child's personal income and any other sources of income.

HOUSEHOLD MEMBER NAME	MONTHLY GROSS SALARY
1. _____	\$ _____
2. _____	\$ _____
3. _____	\$ _____
4. _____	\$ _____
5. _____	\$ _____
6. _____	\$ _____
7. _____	\$ _____

An adult household member must sign the application before it can be approved. After reading the following statement and the statement on the back, sign below.

I certify that the above information is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the center will receive Federal funds based on the information I give.

Signature _____

Print Name _____

LAST FOUR (4) DIGITS
OF SOCIAL SECURITY
NUMBER

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Date _____

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Privacy Act Statement: The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this form. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, we cannot approve the participant for free or reduced-price meals. You must include the last four digits of the Social Security Number of the adult household member who signs the form. The Social Security Number is not required when you: apply on behalf of a foster child; provide a SNAP, TANF or FDPIR number; or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the form does not have a Social Security Number. We will use your information to determine if the center is eligible for free or reduced-price meal reimbursement and for administration and enforcement of the Program.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING DOH-3688

Definition of Income

Income means income before deductions for income taxes, social security taxes, insurance premiums, charitable contributions, and bonds, etc. It includes the following: (1) monetary compensation for services, including wages, salary, commissions or fees; (2) net income from non-farm self-employment; (3) net income from farm self-employment; (4) Social Security payments; (5) dividends or interest on savings or bonds, income from estates or trusts or net rental income; (6) unemployment compensation; (7) government civilian employee or military retirement, or pensions or veteran's payments; (8) private pensions or annuities; (9) alimony or child support payments; (10) regular contributions from persons not living in the household; (11) net royalties; (12) military benefits received in cash, such as housing allowance except if you are in the Military Housing Privatization Initiative; and (13) any other cash income.

Definition of Household

Household means *family* as defined in 7 CRF 22.6.2. *Family* means a group of related or unrelated individuals who are not residents of an institution or boarding house, but who are living as one economic unit.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARENTS OR GUARDIANS

Write in the name of the child care center in the space provided.

Print the name of each child in your household who attends this child care center.

Section A: If anyone in your household participates in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), receives Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or participates in the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), complete Section A only. Write down the SNAP, TANF or FDPIR number (do not use your ACS or DSS child care subsidy number). Then sign and date the form and return it to the day care center.

Foster children: If your household includes a foster child who is in child care, write in the names of the foster children.

Section B: Complete this section if you did not complete Section A. Write in your name and the names of all other adults and children living in the household, including unrelated people, even if they do not have any income. Do not include the children in child care who are listed at the top of the form.

Enter the amount of income each person received **last month**, before taxes or anything else was taken out. Refer to the Definition of Income and the Definition of Household, above. If any amount last month was more or less than the usual, write in that person's usual income.

The last four digits of the Social Security Number of the adult signing the certification is required. If you do not have a Social Security Number, write *none*. The form must be signed by an adult member of the household.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SPONSORS AND CENTERS

The For The Childcare Center To Complete section is to be completed, signed and dated by sponsor or center staff. The sponsor/center representative must review the income eligibility form and ensure that it is completed as indicated in the instructions above. Then indicate the following:

The CACFP Agreement Number.

Total Number of Household Members – This item does not have to be completed if the parent completed Section A. Add those indicated in Section B (if completed) to the children enrolled in child care and the number of foster children, if applicable.

Total Household Income – This item does not need to be completed if the parent completed Section A. Indicate the total monthly income as calculated from Section B. If the parent chooses not to disclose income, the form must be categorized as *paid*.

Number of Free, Reduced or Paid – Compare the total household income and the total number of household members with the current year's Income Eligibility Guidelines (CACFP-3687) to determine if the household should be categorized as **Free, Reduced or Paid**. Use the appropriate column on the CACFP-3687 to categorize their income. For example, if the parent indicated biweekly income, multiply this amount by 26 to determine yearly income.

Incomplete forms (missing signatures, income information, last four digits of Social Security Number or SNAP, TANF or FDPIR numbers) are categorized in the paid category.

The income eligibility form is valid until the last day of the month one calendar year from the date it is signed by the household member. For example, a form signed on May 12, 2023 is valid until May 31, 2024.



Special Rules and Requirements for Families Receiving Department of Social Services (DSS)

- You are personally responsible to pay a \$25 registration fee for each child before we can process your application
- You are personally responsible to pay a \$300 deposit for each full time child. If necessary, you may pay the deposit in installments billed at \$25 per week/child. Your deposit will be returned to you once we have received full payment for all of your charges.
- Parent Fees will be expected on a weekly basis. Please speak to the Executive Director of Operations right away if there is any problem with payment. Anyone who is more than 2 weeks behind will risk losing their child's space in the program.
- I understand that if my subsidy approval may require, I must submit proof of work (paystubs) to DSS **every month**. If I fail to do so, I will be personally responsible for the full amount of the charges for my child's daycare.
- I understand that **I must be working every day that I bring my child to daycare**. DSS will not pay for my child if I miss work because I'm sick, on vacation, laid off, take a personal day, quit my job, or miss work for any other reason without prior authorization. If I bring my child to daycare on a day that I am not working, I will be personally responsible to pay the **full charges** for that day.
- I must notify the DICC immediately if I lose my job for any reason. I will be personally responsible for the full amount of charges for daycare outside of my DSS approval.
- I must periodically recertify with DSS as required by their rules and regulations. If I fail to do so in a timely manner, I will be personally responsible for the full charges of every day until I recertify.
- I will abide by the Health Care Plan for the Downtown Ithaca Children's Center.
- I will pick up my child before the Center closes at 5:30 pm. There is a **\$1.00 per minute fee** if I pick my child up after 5:30 pm.
- I agree to provide all requested paperwork required by Office of Children and Family Services regulations and/or The Downtown Ithaca Children's Center within 2 weeks of the original request.

All of the above requirements will be STRICTLY ENFORCED

Name (Please Print)

Child's name (Please Print)

Signature

Date

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Please Sign & Return This Page

I have read and understand the information in the
Downtown Ithaca Children’s Center Parent Handbook.

Name (Please Print) Child’s Name (Please Print)

Signature Date