

DO YOU WANT TO OPERATE A FAMILY CHILD CARE HOME?

Not everyone can sell toys, play an instrument, drive a bus or do many other things, nor should she/he try. Neither should everyone care for children. Listed below are a few of the qualities which a family child care operator would want to have:

She/he enjoys children and is happy to spend every day with children only.

She/he sees each child as a special individual and makes every effort to understand and encourage him.

She/he communicates and cooperates with the parents.

She/he accepts her work with children as her first and major responsibility while the children are in the home.

She/he is friendly, warm, understanding and affectionate.

She/he has patience and can maintain self-control in difficult or startling situations.

She/he is healthy and physically strong enough to be regularly on the job and keep up with the children all day.

She/he likes to provide many interesting and fun things for the children to do.

She/he is willing to share her living quarters and some of her personal possessions with others.

She/he organizes herself well enough to meet the children's needs, her family's needs, her own needs, and keeps up with child care home business, too.

She/he accepts and cooperates with those who have the legal responsibility to protect children in care.

The children in care change and develop some every day. How and what they learn depends largely on the example set for them by the

family child care operator, on the operator's relationship to them and on what is provided for them.

If you believe you want to do this kind of work, we would like to help you become registered. We want you to be successful in your work with child care children and we have literature and information covering various areas of child care which we can share with you.