# **COMMONLY USED FCC SERVICES OFFERED AT MINOT AFB:**

- Hourly/Drop-in Care
- Full-time Care
- Part-time Care
- Nights/Weekends
- 24-Hour Care
- Before and After School Care
- PCS Care
- Missile Care
- Extended Duty Care
- Deployment Care
- POCC Care

(Care during Provider Orientation)

Some of these programs require additional and parents/guardians paperwork encouraged to reach out to our office for more details on how to qualify. In addition, for a complete list of all services offered, please stop by our office!

# DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE **CHILD AND YOUTH PROGRAMS** (DAF CYP) WEBSITE:

In order to communicate more effectively with Airmen, Guardians, and their families, the DAF CYP has launched a new website as a singular point to provide general information on the trusted and valued Child and Youth Programs that are provided across Air Force communities.

https://www.dafchildandyouth.com





#### WELCOME

Family Child Care provides valuable in-home child care to support the families of Minot AFB. The FCC program offers quality care for children ranging from two weeks to five years of age by licensed, professional child care providers. Due to the high demand for early child care, we encourage families to reach out to the School Age Care Program for children over five years of age and going into kindergarten. The School Age Care Program can be reached at: 701-723-2838.

The quality and structured environment of FCC cannot be understated. It is determined by our licensure requirements; as well as, our heightened focus on training and development. In addition, each provider is required to follow a curriculum, create weekly lesson plans, and show evidence of successful implementation of their designated educational program. Every provider is expected to know the developmental milestones of the children in their care and scaffold each child's learning to increase skill-development. All providers must complete fifteen modules through our Air Force Virtual Lab School to assist in learning these important milestones and age-appropriate techniques.

# **ELIGIBILITY & PARTICIPATION**

Children ages two weeks through 12 years of any active duty or retired military member, DOD civilian employed or supported by Minot AFB, and/or contractors are eligible for care in the FCC program. In addition, the Family Child Care program accepts children with special needs, chronic health problems, and/or allergies. FCC prides itself on being inclusive and accommodating to all children.

# PROCESS FOR OBTAINING CARE

Contact the FCC Office one of these 4 ways:

- 1. Submit a request for care at militarychildcare.com
- 2. By phone at (701) 723-6662
- 3. By email at 5FSS.FSYF.FCC@us.af.mil
- 4. In-person at 164 Summit Drive

The Family Child Care Coordinator or Community Child Care Coordinator will then respond to you in a timely fashion and gather all contact information regarding your care request. The coordinators will then reach out to all providers via the FCC private communication system to ensure all providers are given information equitably and efficiently. The providers with interest and availability will then call you, the parent/guardian, directly.

If you receive a call by an FCC provider, you can then set up an interview to meet her, see her FCC home environment, and establish care.

#### **BECOMING A FCC PROVIDER**

Are you interested in helping Minot Air Force Base's growing need for child care? In a mere four weeks, we can get you licensed and ready to go!

To operate an FCC home, applicants will be screened by local base agencies. Applicants are required to obtain liability insurance and must pass home inspections which include Health, Fire, Program, and Safety components. Applicants must also complete a two-week orientation training course.

### **FCC PROVIDER BENEFITS**

Personally and professionally, the provider is able to be his/her own boss while working to assist his/her spouse in growing the family's income. With regard to society, the Family Child Care Provider supports developmental growth in a homelike atmosphere or "family:" an American value.

Ways in which the Family Child Care Coordinator and Community Child Care Coordinator support the provider:

- Supplying care requests to whom the provider can reach out
- Reminding the provider of renewal dates for fingerprints, CPR, Insurance etc.
- Providing a monthly training
- Providing a monthly newsletter
- Determining "Provider of the Month" and bestowing a gift
- Inspecting the provider's home monthly to ensure safety
- Providing curriculum resources
- Providing professional development opportunities
- Assisting with VLS FCC Certification