



**Child Care Management Services Child Care Rule Changes
Effective October 3, 2022**

- **TEXAS RISING STAR ENTRY LEVEL.** If the Provider is designated as entry-level in the Texas Rising Star program, they must attain at least a 2-star Texas Rising Star certification within 24 months of signing this contract unless granted a waiver pursuant to child care rule §809.131.
- **PAID HOLIDAYS/PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS.** The Provider will be paid by the Contractor for each child currently referred with the Provider for up to 9 holidays in Tarrant County CCMS will reimburse the child care provider (**except for Relative Listed homes**) for each child currently enrolled with the provider during the following recognized holidays if the providers are closed. Please initial if closed.

| Holiday | Date | Initial if closed |
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| New Year’s Day | Monday, January 2, 2023 | |
| Memorial Day | Monday, May 29, 2023 | |
| Independence Day | Tuesday, July 4, 2023 | |
| Labor Day | Monday, September 4, 2023 | |
| Thanksgiving Day | Thursday, November 23, 2023 | |
| Day after Thanksgiving | Friday, November 24, 2023 | |
| Christmas Eve | Friday, December 22, 2023 | |
| Christmas Day | Monday, December 25, 2023 | |
| New Year’s Eve | Friday, December 29, 2023 | |
| New Year’s Day | Monday, January 1, 2024 | |

- **CHARGING THE DIFFERENCE.** The Provider will not charge CCMS parents for any differences between the Provider’s published rate and the applicable rate in the Provider Rate Agreement. This does not include charges to parents for picking children up late or for special or optional activities not included in the published rate that the parents elect to pay for on their own.
- **ATTENDANCE REPORTING.** The Provider understands the attendance standards outlined in TAC §809.78. Failure comply with attendance reporting requirements may result in corrective or adverse actions, such as investigation and prosecution of fraud.
 - Until a new Automated Attendance system is implemented by TWC, the Provider agrees to report children’s absences to the CCMS when a child accumulates five (5) consecutive absences. This does not include absences due to court-ordered visitation or a Provider’s emergency closure. Failure to report a child’s five consecutive absences may result in corrective or adverse actions, such as investigation and prosecution of fraud.
 - After TWC’s implementation of the new Automated Attendance System (planned for February 2023), the Provider agrees to abide by the requirements outlined in the Provider Child Care Automated Attendance System Agreement.