

2012 CONVENTION

**CHILD CARE
INFORMATION AND
REGISTRATION
FORMS**



January 17, 2012

TO: ALL OPSEU MEMBERS

RE: CHILD CARE

Child care services will be co-ordinated by the Convention Office in conjunction with a Child Care Provider (ECE) as lead hand for the 2012 OPSEU Annual Convention April 19 to 21, 2012.

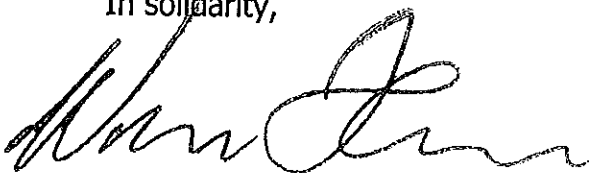
Child care is governed by the Day Nurseries Act. The Act is responsible for setting guidelines to ensure that children in the care of others are well taken care of. It stipulates how many children, based on their ages, are to be placed with an adult.

The staff-child ratios as stated by the Act are as follows:

Infants	➤	6 weeks to 18 months	1:3
Toddlers	➤	18 to 30 months	1:5
Preschoolers	➤	2.5 to 6 years	1:8
Junior	➤	6 and 7	1:15
Senior	➤	8 and up	1:15

Your assistance is needed to ensure that your child(ren) receive the best quality care based on the Day Nurseries Act. If you plan to use the child care service at Convention, please ensure that the purple child care registration forms are completed and forwarded with your credentials to your Regional Office by **March 5, 2012**. This will enable us to have enough staff available to care for all the children based on their ages and special needs.

In solidarity,



Warren (Smokey) Thomas
President

WT/nc

January 17, 2012

TO ALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF CHILD CARE PARTICIPANTS AT THE 2012 CONVENTION

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I would like to take this time to introduce myself as the Lead Hand for child care services at the 2012 OPSEU Annual Convention.

There has been a great deal of time and effort put into organizing appropriate schedules, activities and programs for each individual age group. The children will be divided into activity groups according to their ages and there will be an ECE qualified worker in each group at all times.

Infants and Toddlers

Infants (up to 18 months) and toddlers (18 to 30 months) will be cared for according to their individual needs. We would ask that you supply any formula, bottles, diapers and baby food necessary for your infant. We will supply a crib for your child's rest time but we would greatly appreciate it if you could bring any small chairs e.g. car seat, or strollers that can be used for feeding and walking.

Preschool and School Age

For preschool (30 months to 6 years), and school age (6 years to 11 years) children, the days will be filled with age appropriate toys and activities, including walks, music, special guests (if available), story times, creative arts, dramatic play, sensory, fine and gross motor activities.

Teen Program (Mandatory)

For age 12 and up, OPSEU will provide a **MANDATORY** program that is age appropriate. Children who are in this age group must attend the program or Convention expenses for accommodation will not be honoured.


Those children old enough to consume "regular" food will be provided with a healthy and nutritious lunch and snack that will meet the guidelines as set out in the Day Nurseries Act.

The childcare services will be in the Oakville, Caledon, Humber, Haliburton, Grenadier and High Park meeting rooms located at the Lobby Level of the InterContinental Toronto Centre.

Our hours of operation are as follows:

Wednesday:	7:00 p.m. - 12:00 midnight (please ensure that your child(ren) have been given dinner prior to their arrival at 7:00 p.m.)
Thursday:	8:00 a.m. - 12:00 midnight
Friday:	7:00 a.m. - 12:00 midnight
Saturday:	8:30 a.m. - one hour after convention adjournment

In solidarity,


for Emilsa Sealy, Local 588
Lead Hand, Child Care Services

MENU FOR CHILDREN OPSEU 2012 CONVENTION

	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
MORNING SNACK		Bagels And Cream Cheese Fruit/Juice	Fruit/Muffins Juice	Fruit/Cereal Juice
LUNCH		Macaroni and Cheese Veggies Milk Fruit	Pasta and Meat Sauce Veggies Milk Fruit	Grilled Cheese Sandwiches French Fries Veggies Milk Fruit
AFTERNOON SNACK	Muffins Fruits Juice	Croissants Cheese Fruits Juice	Granola Bars Fruits Juice	Yogurt Fruits Juice
EVENING SNACK	Nacho Chips Salsa Juice	Yogurt Rice Krispy Squares Fruits Juice	Crackers Cheese Fruit Snacks Juice	

Due to the fact that not all children are able to consume adult food we will have on hand animal cookies, digestive cookies, bagels and apple sauce. Please remember that we do ask for all parents with infants to supply any baby food, formula, or bottles needed for your child's stay.

**REGISTRATION SHEET FOR CHILD CARE
ANNUAL CONVENTION, SHERATON CENTRE
April 19-21, 2012**

Your child will be provided with a program tailored to his/her age. This includes age - appropriate toys and activities. A nutritious lunch and snack will be provided, except for those on special diets. Baby formula, baby food and other such dietary needs, must be provided by the parents. Cribs are available for infants. Diapers must be brought by parents.

NOTE: Requests for on-site child care should be received by **March 5, 2012** otherwise child care arrangements for on-site child care may not be made. Members who bring their children to the event without the required notice, may be responsible for making their own child care arrangements. The Family Attendant Care section on the reverse side of the expense claim must be completed whenever family care or meals for dependent children are claimed.

Child's Name	Age	Medical Problems Allergies, Special Care Needed	Health Card #
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

For What Days will child care be required?

Wednesday (evening) _____ Thursday (day) _____ Thursday (evening) _____
 Friday (day) _____ Friday (evening) _____ Saturday (day) _____

Name of Parent (print) _____ **Signature of Parent** _____

Home Address _____
(Street) (Apt) (City) (Postal Code)

Phone no: (Res) _____ (Bus) _____

Cell Phone No. _____ **Local** _____

NOTE: According to OPSEU policy:

1. Members who bring children to union events will be entitled to single accommodation and meal expenses.
2. The meal allowance for children under 13 years of age is 50 per cent of OPSEU's standard meal allowance.
3. Claims must be signed by the service provider and may be verified by Head Office before payment is made.
4. All children (16 years or younger), accompanying delegates must be pre-registered and sign in at the day care centre. If they are not signed in and attending, single accommodation and meals will not be honoured.

PARENT AGREEMENT

Please read this agreement with the children.

The following are the policies which have been set out by OPSEU's Child Care Services and the Day Nurseries Act. All parents registering their children for the 2012 Annual Convention must be prepared to follow these policies accordingly.

1. If your child becomes ill, we will ask you to have him/her picked up as soon as possible. As a health precaution your child will be readmitted to our care only after he/she has been free of fever for 24 hours.
2. Only prescribed medication in their original containers stating your child's name, date of issue, doctor's name, dosage, pharmacy and storage information will be administered. A daily medicine chart must be filled out before this can be done.
3. Each child has to be signed in and out each time by an adult. This is a safety requirement.
4. No one other than the parents and those listed on the registration form will be permitted to pick up a child from our services.
- Important* 5. The Child Care Services Centre closes at 12:00 midnight on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, after this time you are responsible for your child(ren). Please note that dinner is not provided.
6. Any necessary equipment that is needed for your child's stay e.g. bottles, formula, diapers, baby food, strollers, baby seats for feeding, favourite sleep toys must be brought with the child.
7. Any programming and planning of the daily schedule, with the exception of special needs, is left solely up to the Child Care Workers.
8. All children age 12 and up, are required to attend a **MANDATORY** education program.
9. Our childcare providers do not have the additional special training to assist children with special needs. Should your child require such services, we will need advance notice.

PARENTAL CHILD CARE AGREEMENT

I agree to cooperate with the general policies set out by the OPSEU Child Care Services.

Name of Child

Date of Birth

Name of Child

Date of Birth

Name of Child

Date of Birth

Name of Child

Date of Birth

Name of Parent (please print)

Signature of Parent

Please return this form to your REGIONAL OFFICE with your credentials by **March 5, 2012**.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call Nympha Chan, at (416) 443-8888 ext. 7467.

WALKS/FIELD TRIP

I, _____ give my permission for _____
(parent's name) (child's name)

to take part in all walks, or field trips that are outside of the Hotel that are supervised by the OPSEU Child Care Providers. If there are any additional costs involved, it is up to the parent to provide the amount.

Parent signature: _____ Date: _____

Note: Field Trip Costs are to be paid by the parents upon sign in at the Childcare Centre.

MARTIAL ARTS

I, _____ give my permission for _____
(parent's name) (child's name)

to take part in all Martial Arts Sessions that are supervised by the OPSEU Child Care Providers.

Parent signature: _____ Date: _____