

Mott Poll Questions



Childcare Health & Safety

Questions were answered by parents of children age 1-5 years.

Q1. Does your child go on a regular basis (at least 5 hours a week) to a:

	Yes	No
Childcare center		
Childcare at someone else's home		
Preschool		

Q2. If you were choosing a new childcare option for your child, how important would the following be in making your decisions?

	Essential	High	Medium	Low
Meals and Snacks				
1. Healthy foods served for meals/snacks				
2. Children wash hands before eating				
3. Kitchen/food prep area cleaned regularly				
Play				
4. Children have outdoor/active play every day				
5. TV/screen time is limited				
6. Books and educational toys available				
Safety				
7. Outdoor play area gated/away from traffic				
8. Doors locked/secure				
9. Sunscreen used appropriately				
General Cleanliness				
10. Bathroom(s) cleaned regularly				
11. Staff wash hands after helping with bathroom, nose wiping				
12. Indoor toys cleaned/sanitized regularly				
Staff				
13. Staff have early childhood training				
14. Staff have background checks				
15. Staff do not smoke				
Policies				
16. Children are required to be vaccinated				
17. Staff are required to be vaccinated				
18. Sick children are not allowed to attend				
Logistics				
19. Cost				
20. Location and hours of operation				
21. Staff/child ratio				

Q3. Which factors would be most important to you in choosing a new childcare option?

Options displayed based on options marked "essential" in Q2.

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Q4. Would any of the following be "deal-breakers" – reasons that you would definitely NOT choose that childcare option, no matter what?

Choose all that apply and/or include your own.

1. Location near a busy road
2. Gun on premises
3. Location in a "sketchy" area
4. Other adults (not staff) on premises
5. Unvaccinated children allowed to attend
6. Staff person is a smoker
7. Other
8. None

Q5. How confident are you in being able to tell if a childcare option is safe and healthy?

1. Very confident
2. Somewhat confident
3. Not confident

Q6. How much do you agree with the following statement?

It's hard to find childcare options that have the characteristics I want.

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Disagree
4. Strongly disagree

Q7. How much do you agree with the following statement?

Childcare centers and in-home childcare providers should have the same health and safety standards.

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Disagree
4. Strongly disagree

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