### **Licensed Centers**

### Benton

Kids and Company 6kwks- 12 yrs. 618-663-7463 Learn and Play 15 mo. - 12 yrs. 618-439-6834

### Christopher

Kids R My Business 6wks - 14 yrs.. 618-724-5774 Little Treasures 7 (618) 944-3210

### **Thompsonville**

Southern Illinois Kids Academy-6 wks- 12 yrs 618-927-9194.

#### **West Frankfort**

Kids Corral- 6 wks- 14 yrs: 618-937-4700

### **Licensed Homes**

There are also licensed family child care providers in the county. For an updated list of licensed family child care homes call: Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) at 1-800-548-5563







## Did you know? There can be help with child care costs?

The Illinois Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) makes it possible for families and guardians who qualify to receive financial help with childcare costs.

For more information, go to https://www.ccrrjalc.com/paying.html or call CCR&R at 1-800-548-5563.



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# A Parents Guide to Early Childhood Education and Care

FRANKLIN COUNTY
ILLINOIS



### Age Birth to Three

# Prevention Initiative: Birth to Three Programs Southern Region Early Childhood Programs

State-funded child development and family support services for expectant parents and families with children **from birth to age 3** to help them build a strong foundation for learning and to prepare children for later school success.

For more information or locations call:
618-453-4228
Age 3-5 yrs
Head Start

### **BCMW Head Start Programs**

Federally funded comprehensive early learning program for income-eligible families. Full and part-day options are available. Children must be 3 by September 1 of the year they are enrolling and not yet avilold enough for kindergarten..

Locations:

Benton

618-439-6550

CZR/ Mulkeytown

618-596-2121, Ext. 3107

**West Frankfort** 

W.F. 1 618-932-6655/W.F. 2 618-937-4064

**Private Preschools** 

St John the Baptist-West Frankfort 618-937-2017

# Age 3-5yrs State Funded Pre-K Programs

Southern Region Early Childhood Programs
The Preschool for All Prekindergarten Program
(ages 3-5) offers rich developmentally
appropriate classroom learning environments
and personal visits for children age three to
five. Half day and full day programs are offered
in public school classrooms throughout the
county. Eligibility is determined through a
developmental screening which includes

For information call: 618-(618) 453-4271.

important information shared by parents.

Locations in Franklin County include:
Akin Elementary School
Benton Elementary School
Christopher Elementary School
Denning Elementary in West Frankfort
Sesser Elementary

### ExceleRate Circle of Quality-Child Care Programs

Silver Circle of Quality

Rascal Express- West Frankfort



Serves Infants through School-Age Full Day- Full Year 618-937=2095(



Bronze Circle of Quality

Kimberly Hutchcraft Family Day Care Home - Benton serves children ages 1yr- 13yr 618-927-9624



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ExceleRate Illinois recognizes early learning providers for their ongoing efforts to improve the quality of their care by awarding Circle of Quality designations: The higher the Circle of Quality designation, the more each provider makes meaningful improvements to their program to better prepare children for school and life.