

Figure: 26 TAC §745.117

Program of Limited Duration	Criteria for Exemption
(1) Parents on the Premises	<p>(A) The program operates in association with a shopping center, business, and other activities such as retreats or classes for religious instruction;</p> <p>(B) The program does not advertise as a child-care facility or day-care center and informs parents that it is not licensed by the state;</p> <p>(C) The parent or person responsible for the child attends or engages in some elective activity nearby, part-time employees or contractors who conduct the elective activity may use the program meeting the limits stated in subparagraph (D) of this part of the chart. A caregiver for the program may use the program for the caregiver's own children as long as the child remains with a caregiver;</p> <p>(D) A child may only be in care for up to four and one-half hours per day and:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(i) For up to 12 hours per week; or</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(ii) For up to 15 hours per week if care is provided so a person may attend an educational class provided by a nonprofit entity, and the program is in a county with a population of 800,000 or more and the county is adjacent to an international border; and</p> <p>(E) The program's caregivers must be able to contact the parent or person responsible for the child at all times.</p>
(2) Short-Term Program	<p>(A) The program operates for less than three consecutive weeks and less than 40 days in a period of 12 months; and</p> <p>(B) It is not a part of an operation subject to our regulation.</p>

(3) Religious Program	<p>A program of religious instruction, such as vacation Bible school, that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) Lasts for two weeks or less; and</li><li>(ii) Is conducted by a religious organization during the summer months.</li></ul>
(4) Foreign Exchange/ Sponsorship Program	<p>It is a living arrangement in a caretaker's home where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) An unrelated child or sibling group lives in the person's home;</li><li>(ii) Each child is in the United States on a time-limited visa; and</li><li>(iii) Each child is under the sponsorship of the person with whom they are living or the sponsorship of some organization.</li></ul>