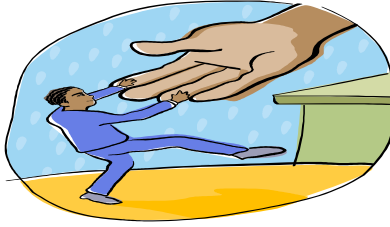


*NORTH EAST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S*  
**FAMILY OUTREACH PROGRAM**



The Family Outreach Worker is from the Cecil County Department of Social Services and can provide **voluntary** outreach services to families of our NEES students. The worker can help with locating community resources for a variety of issues, such as help accessing **counseling services, domestic violence interventions, substance abuse treatment, court/custody/visitation navigation, parenting resources, housing, food, energy needs** and many other issues that one might need help with. Assistance pertaining to your child's absenteeism and/or truancy from school can also be discussed.

Your privacy is important and any information that you request is **confidential**. Please feel free to call for more information or to set up a face-to-face meeting.

The Family Outreach Worker is at school year round.

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## **FOR ON-LINE**

### **INFORMATION ABOUT:**

- **FOOD STAMPS**
- **TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE (TCA)**
- **MARYLAND ENERGY ASSISTANCE**
- **MARYLAND'S CHILDREN HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM (MCHIP)**
- **MEDICAID**
- **MARYLAND PHARMACY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**
- **BURIAL ASSISTANCE**
- **EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**
- **EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN**
- **TEMPORARY DISABILITY ASSISTANCE**

**GO TO.....**

<http://www.dhr.state.md.us/economic.php>

\*\*\*Please note the on the right side of this website page is "SAIL", which is a 'Service Access and Information Link'. "SAIL" screening can tell you which social service benefit program you and the members of your family may be eligible to receive. It does not guarantee that you will qualify for the programs. \*\*\*

## **IMPORTANT NUMBERS:**

The Cecil County Department of Social Services

#410-996-0100

The Cecil County Health Department

#410-996-5100

The Cecil County Family Court Services

#410-996-1157

The Cecil County Department of Juvenile Justice

#410-996-2800

The Cecil County Domestic Violence/Rape Crisis Program

#410-996-0333

The Cecil County Drug and Alcohol Center

#410-996-5106

The Cecil County Public Defender's Office

#410-996-0640

Legal Aid

#1-800-444-9529

# Maryland's **HOME ALONE** Law & Guidelines



## **CHILDREN UNDER AGE 8...**

- \*no matter how bright, mature, or 'independent' **cannot be left alone.**
- \*cannot be left alone in parked cars or in public places, such as libraries, stores, swimming pools, or parks where other adults are just 'around'.
- \*must have an assigned, dependable caretaker, **13 years or older,** to watch them.
- \*can **NEVER** be left to be supervised by a child who is under 13 years old.

## **CHILDREN AGE 8 & OVER...**

- \*can be left alone for **SHORT** periods of time if certain commonsense requirements are met.
- \*need to know what to do in the case of an emergency, accident or illness.
- \* need to know your work &/or cell phone numbers, how to call 911 and how to give their correct address.
- \***cannot be alone overnight.**
- \*should not be left alone for any period of time if they have any kind of disabling mental, physical, or emotional handicaps.
- \*need to have a simple 'fire drill' plan in place as fire is the most common hazard for a child left home alone.

**A CHILD IS DEFINED AS ANY INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE AGE OF 18.**

**Maryland Family Law 5-801** states... “a person who is charged with the care of a child under the age of **8** years may not allow the child to be locked or confined in a dwelling, building, enclosure, or motor vehicle while the person charged is absent and the dwelling, building, enclosure, or motor vehicle is out of the sight of the person charged unless the person charged provides a reliable person at least **13** years old to remain with the child to protect the child...”

“...a person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$500 or imprisonment not exceeding 30 days, or both...”