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Office of Child Care Licensing

~ Our Mission: To ensure safeguards and enhance quality for children in out-of-home care. ~



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Here is the opening page of the OCCL web site. Notice the button for "Search for Child Care".

Office of Child Care Licensing Contact Information

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 302-739-5487 or 1-800-822-2236
 FAX: 302-739-6589

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Search for Child Care

Selecting the right child care provider for your family is a very important decision and there are many things to consider. This site helps you make a more informed choice by showing program information and the number of non-compliances and substantiated complaints for the past five years. For providers licensed for more than five years, contact OCCL if you would like previous licensing history. Here is more [information](#) to consider when choosing a child care provider.

Visit the [Office of Early Learning](#) to learn more about using Delaware Stars for Early Success, our state's quality rating and improvement system, as a guide to finding quality early childhood programs. Participation in Delaware Stars is voluntary. A provider's choice not to participate in Delaware Stars does not indicate a lower-quality program.

Find out how to use the child care search [here](#).

If you are looking for a provider that is not listed on this site please, contact us at 1-800-822-2236.

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IMPORTANT: People who are not listed on this site may not hold a valid license or their license may be suspended. If you have reason to suspect that an individual or organization is being paid for providing child care in their home or a commercial site, you should contact the Office of Child Care Licensing.

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On the opening page of the Child Care Search there is some general information and a big "Search for Child Care" button.

Search for Delaware Child Care

Query

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Search by Provider Type

City

Search by City

Zip Code

Search by Zip Code

County

Search by County

Star Level

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Provider Name

Search by Provider Name

School District

Search by School District

Apply

Here is what the application looks like when you first open it.

On the left-hand side of the screen are the tools for searching. On the right-hand side of the screen is the map.

In the upper left corner of the MAP is a set of buttons for controlling the map.

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Move mouse to get coordinates

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Buttons to Zoom the map in or out.

Search for Delaware Child Care

The Legend button.
Different symbols and colors are used depending on the site type and Star level. Notice that the map includes bus routes and bus stops.

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Delaware Child Care Centers

Child Care Locations

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Bus Stops



Bus Routes



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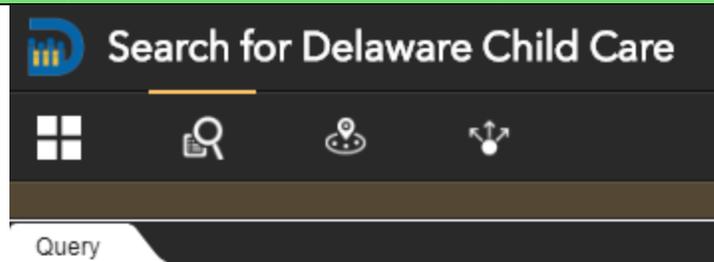
Apply

The "Default Extent" button. Think of it as the map's "Home" button.

Notice how clicking it sets the map to the Dover area and zooms so you see a nice mix of map details.

In the lower left corner of the map you will find the Map Scale and the latitude and longitude coordinates for the spot on the map that your mouse cursor is on.

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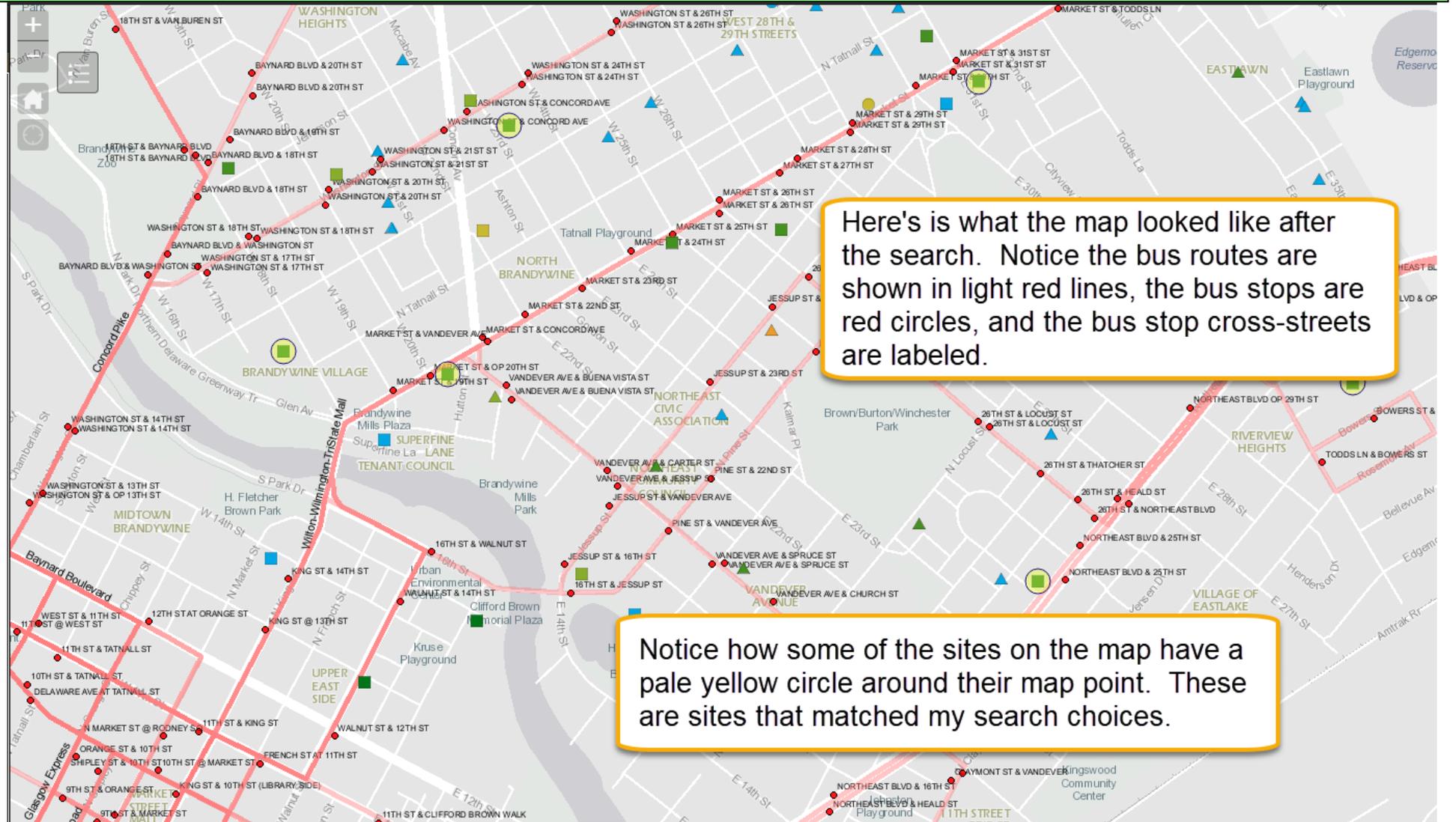
Search by Provider Name

School District

On the left-hand side of the screen are drop-down buttons for searches you can do.

Pick a City, a School District, or a Zip Code. You can use the drop-down choices or type right in the box.

You can pick combinations too. For example you can choose Wilmington for City, 19802 for Zip Code, and Five Stars for Star Level, then click the green "Apply" and you will see the results on the map.



Here's is what the map looked like after the search. Notice the bus routes are shown in light red lines, the bus stops are red circles, and the bus stop cross-streets are labeled.

Notice how some of the sites on the map have a pale yellow circle around their map point. These are sites that matched my search choices.

The screenshot shows a web application interface with a dark header labeled 'Query'. Below the header are two tabs: 'Search' and 'Results', with 'Results' being the active tab. A search bar contains the text 'Child Care Locations _Query result' and a dropdown arrow. Below the search bar, it says 'Number of features found: 7'. The main content area displays details for a child care center:

WILMINGTON HEAD START, INC. - LESLIE JOHNSON CENTER
Wilmington Head Start, Inc. - Leslie Johnson Center
Licensed Child Care Center

Star Level: ★★★★★
Address: 2401 Northeast Boulevard Wilmington DE, 19802
Phone Number: 302-762-8038
Age Range: 3 Years - 5 Years
Capacity: 169
Hours: 07:00 AM - 05:30 PM
Special Conditions:
Regulated Services:
Financial Arrangements: Child Care Food Program, Nonprofit, Purchase of Care
Reported Injuries & Deaths:
2013: 1 facility injury and no facility deaths reported.
2017: 1 facility injury and no facility deaths reported.

Five years of information is reported on this website. For providers licensed for more than five years, contact OCCL to schedule a file review to view previous licensing history.

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LITTLE BLESSINGS DAYCARE SITE II
Little Blessings Daycare Site II

Notice how the left-hand side of the screen changed after I clicked the "Apply" button.

See the pale yellow circle? It's the same one showing on the map.

You also now have some information about the the child care locations that your search found and you can scroll through the result list.

If you click on the info panel for a child care site the map section of the screen will move to that site and the same panel of information will show on the map.

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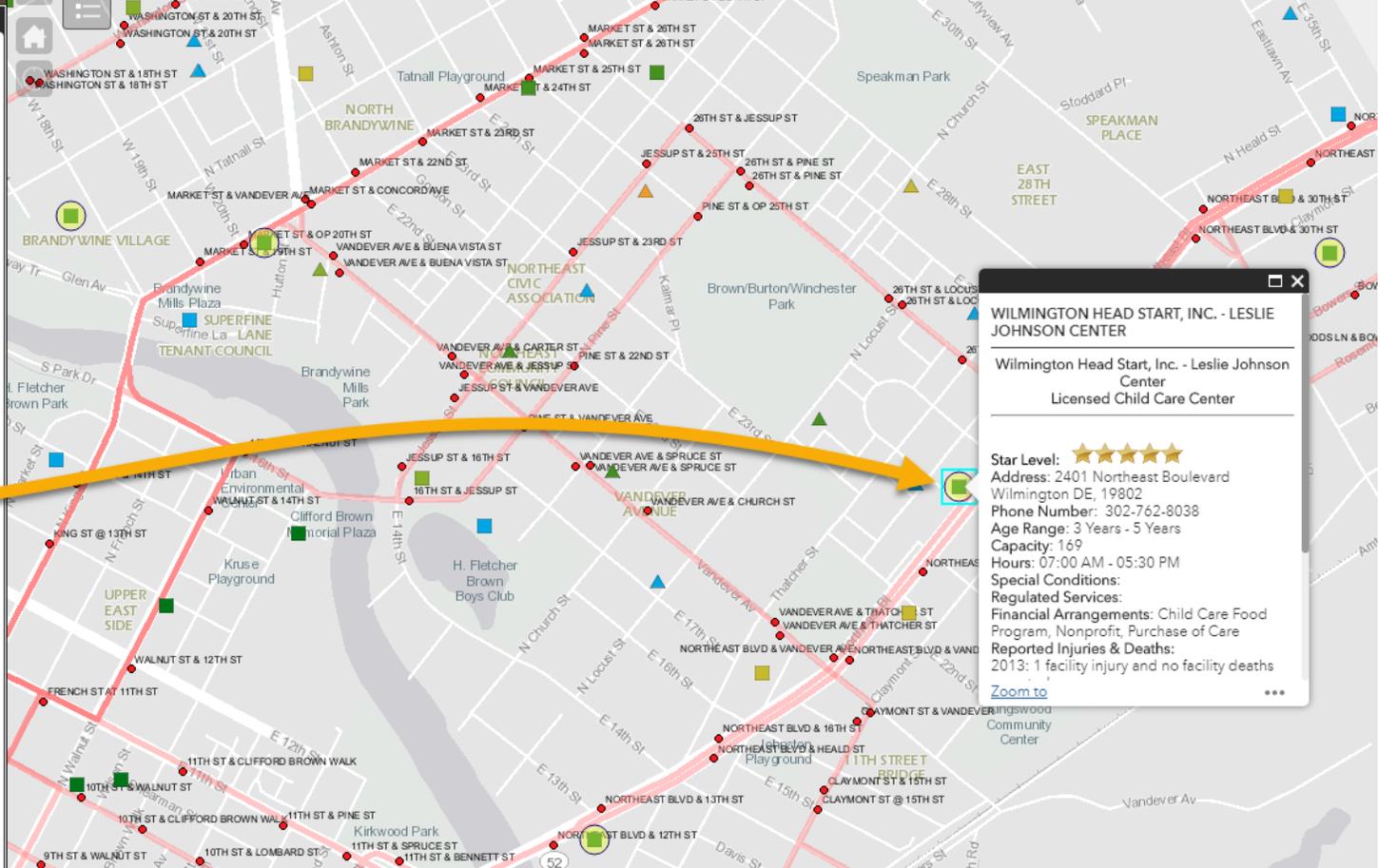
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←	Facility Visits ...
March 31, 2015	>
March 9, 2016	>
April 21, 2013	>
December 17, 2017	>
July 6, 2015	>
March 20, 2017	>
March 24, 2014	>

Query

Search	Results
←	Facility Visits ...
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March 9, 2016	>
April 21, 2013	>
December 17, 2017	▼
Visit Date	December 17, 2017
Type of Visit	Unannounced
July 6, 2015	>
March 20, 2017	>
March 24, 2014	>

If you click on "Facility Visits" the Results window changes to show you a list of Facility Visit dates. If you click on a date the Results window changes to show you information about the visit.

Clicking on "Non Compliance" or "Standard Investigations" in the Results window works the same way as it does for "Facility Visits".

The map side of the screen is able to show you the same information but it is controlled a bit differently.

When you click on a site in the Results window on the left side of the screen the site info box on the map looks like this:

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When you click on a site's map point the site info box on the map looks like this. Notice how the black header area is different.

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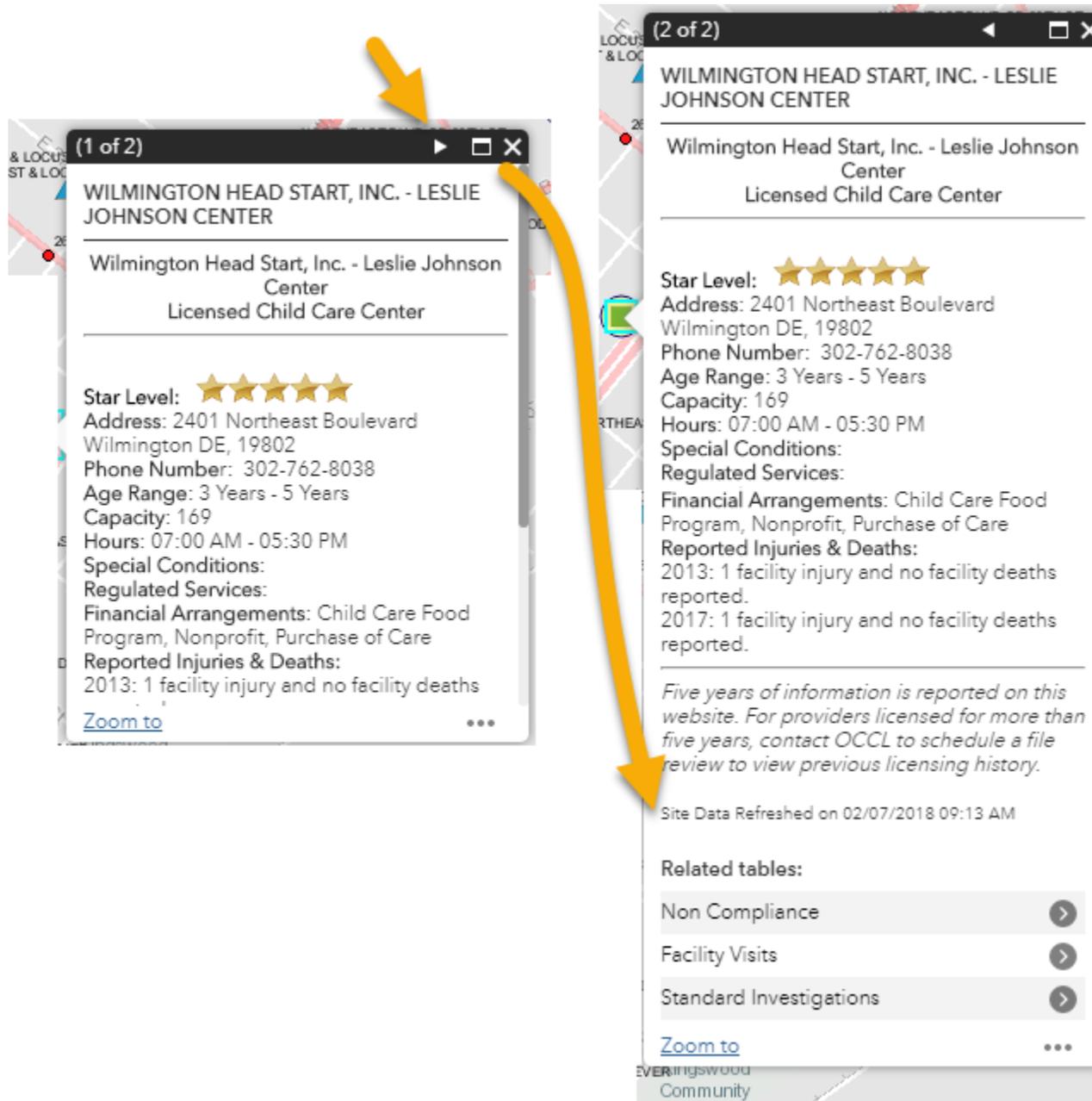
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Clicking on the little triangle in the black header area will show you the second “page” of the site’s info box. If you scroll down you will find the links for Facility Visits, Noncompliances, and Standard Investigations.



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