

**Child Development Associate's Scholarship Program
Frequently Asked Question**

Question: What is the CDA program?

Answer: The CDA National Credentialing Program is a program that focuses on the skills of early care and education professionals. It is designed to provide performance-based training, assessment, and credentialing of child care staff, home visitors, and family child care providers.

Question: What are the requirements to participate in this program?

Answer: You must be currently working in a child care facility.
You must be 18 years of age or older.
You must have your high school diploma or GED.
You must be willing to enroll in college courses.
You must have a working e-mail account.

Question: How will the courses be offered?

Answer: The courses will be offered through the community college early childhood education programs. The courses will be offered at convenient times and locations. This program is designed for individuals to maintain their current job and pursue the CDA.

Question: How long will it take me to complete the program?

Answer: It depends on two things; the numbers of hours of experience you have working with young children and the amount of hours that you have previously completed.

Question: As the center director what responsibilities do I have to this project?

Answer: The center directors' primary responsibility is to encourage and support the participants to completion. Center directors are also expected to permit on-site observations of participants.

If you have any other questions or concerns please contact:

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The Early Childhood Scholarship Program Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential

Scholarship Application

Personal Information

Full Name: _____ Date: _____
Last First M.I.

Address: _____
Street Address Apartment/Unit #

City State ZIP Code

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____
 Cell Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Social Security Number: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Gender Male _____ Female _____ Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes _____ No _____

Ethnicity:(circle one) White African American American Indian Alaska Native Asian Pacific Islander Hispanic Other _____

The above information is used for demographic purposes only.

Educational Background

High School Name	Dates Attended	Diploma Year	G.E.D. Year	
Technical College/University City/State	Dates Attended	Major/Area of Study	Degree Earned	No. of Credit Hours

Describe additional credentials/certificates received:

How many hours have you completed of documented training in the last year? _____

Are you currently working on an Associates Degree? _____ Yes _____ No If yes, expected completion date _____

Are you currently working on a Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential? _____ Yes _____ No

Employment Status

Center Name: _____ Phone: _____ () _____

Address: _____ Supervisor: _____

Are you employed for at least 20 hours (paid) per week? _____ Yes _____ No

What was the start date of your employment in the Center? _____

What is your current job title/position? _____

How many years have you worked in the childcare field? _____

What age groups do you teach? (circle all that apply) Infants / Toddlers / Preschool / School-Age

What is the average number of children in your classroom daily? _____

Statement and Signature of Applicant

I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Based on this information, I am applying for a scholarship from the Day Foundation/Early Childhood Institute to help pay the cost of early childhood education expenses to obtain a Child Development Associate.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please complete all pages of the application.