



TEACH Early Childhood® Rhode Island
Scholarship Application
Associate Degree Model
Family Child Care Providers

Date: _____

Name: _____ Social Security #: _____
 Date of Birth: _____ Gender: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone Number Home: () Cell: () Work: ()
 Email: _____
 College Email (*if different*): _____

Employment Status

What is your current job title?	☐ Teacher ☐ Assistant Teacher ☐ Administrator	☐ Family Based Professional ☐ Non-Teaching Professional Staff ☐ Non-Teaching Support Staff
How long have you worked in the field of early childhood?	☐ Less than 2 Years ☐ 2-5 Years	☐ 6-10 Years ☐ 10+ Years
What age groups do you teach? (<i>please check all that apply</i>)	☐ Infants (0-12 Months) ☐ Toddler (13-36 Months)	☐ Preschool (37 Months – PreK) ☐ School Age

How many children are in your child care facility? _____

How many hours per week do you work? _____

How many months per year do you work? _____

Beginning date of employment at current facility? _____

What is your current hourly wage? _____

Ethnicity

Are you of Hispanic, Latino or Spanish origin?

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| ☐ No
☐ Yes, Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano
☐ Yes, Puerto Rican | ☐ Yes, Cuban
☐ Other Hispanic, Latino or Spanish |
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Do you consider yourself...?

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| ☐ White | ☐ Chinese | ☐ Other Asian: _____ |
| ☐ Black, African Am. Or Negro | ☐ Korean | ☐ Other Pacific Islanders: _____ |
| ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native | ☐ Guamanian or Chamorro | ☐ Other race: _____ |
| ☐ Asian Indian | ☐ Filipino | |
| ☐ Japanese | ☐ Vietnamese | |
| ☐ Native Hawaiian | ☐ Samoan | |

The above information is used for demographic purposes only

Please check the box indicating what language(s) you speak fluently (please check all that apply)

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| ☐ Arabic | ☐ Japanese | ☐ Swahili |
| ☐ Armenian | ☐ Korean | ☐ Tagalog |
| ☐ Chinese | ☐ Lao | ☐ Thai |
| ☐ Creole | ☐ Persian | ☐ Tribal: _____ |
| ☐ English | ☐ Polish | ☐ Urdu |
| ☐ French | ☐ Portuguese | ☐ Vietnamese |
| ☐ Greek | ☐ Russian | ☐ Yiddish |
| ☐ Hindi | ☐ Spanish | ☐ Other: _____ |

How many people live in your household? _____

Of those, how many are:

Your parents? _____ Siblings? _____ Spouse or significant other? _____ Children? _____ Other? _____

Have either of your parents or any of your brothers and sisters attended college? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Do either of your parents or any of your brothers and sisters have a college degree? ☐ Yes ☐ No

How did you hear about the TEACH Early Childhood® Scholarship Program?

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| ☐ Presentation | ☐ My Center Director | ☐ Other (please specify): _____ |
| ☐ Mailing | ☐ TEACH Recipient | |
| ☐ CCR&R Agency | ☐ Workshop | |
| ☐ College | ☐ Website | |

Please check the box that best describes your credentials and educational history:

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| ☐ No high school diploma | ☐ CDA (Specialization: _____) | ☐ Bachelor Degree
(Major: _____) |
| ☐ High school diploma/GED | ☐ Associate Degree
(Major: _____) | |
| ☐ 1-year certificate | | |

Please check one that best describes your educational goals:

- ☐ Earn an Early Childhood or School-Age Credential
- ☐ Take a few early childhood courses to obtain or upgrade job-related skills
- ☐ Earn an Early Childhood, Infant/Toddler or School-Age Certificate
- ☐ Earn an Early Childhood Associate Degree
- ☐ Earn an Early Childhood Associate Degree and transfer to a four-year college/university to earn a Bachelor's Degree

Have you taken any college courses in the past two years? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Have you taken any ECE credits in the past two years? ☐ Yes how many? ____ ☐ No

Are you currently enrolled in an Early Childhood Degree program at a college/university in Rhode Island? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, which degree are you working on? _____

When would you like your scholarship to begin? ☐ Fall ☐ Spring ☐ Summer (year) _____

Family Based Professional Monthly Income Worksheet

Instructions: This sheet will help you determine your monthly earnings from your family child care home. For each question, use the amount you made or spent last month.

Remember, you MUST include income verification such as copies of receipts for each of the children you take care of or a statement detailing your weekly rate and number of children you care for.

1. What is the total amount paid to you by parents each week?
2. Total monthly parent fees - weekly fees x 4.33 (weeks per month)
3. How much was your Child & Adult Care Food Program Reimbursement?
4. How much did you receive from the Dept. of Social Services or other agencies for child care subsidy for children in your care?
5. **Total monthly revenue (add lines 2, 3, and 4)**

How much did you spend for children in your child care home last month on:

6. Food
7. Toys
8. Assistant/Substitute Care
9. Craft/Supplies
10. Transportation (\$0.25/mile)
11. Training Fees
12. Gifts for Children/Families
13. Other (Specify)
14. **Total monthly expenses (add lines 6-13)**

Revenue (line 5) minus Expenses (line 14) equals _____
Monthly Earnings (job 1 earnings above)

Statement of Income

PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR MOST RECENT PAY STUB HERE.

Employer #1 _____ Hours/Week _____ Earnings _____ per _____

Employer #2 _____ Hours/Week _____ Earnings _____ per _____

Have you applied for any other financial aid (such as Pell Grants, Smart Start Grants or student loans)?

☐ YES

☐ NO (Scholarship candidates must apply. See page 4.)

Source of financial aid #1 _____ Date of application _____

Application Status: ☐ AWARDED ☐ DENIED ☐ PENDING

Source of financial aid #2 _____ Date of application _____

Application Status: ☐ AWARDED ☐ DENIED ☐ PENDING

All applicable financial aid letters should also be included with the application packet.

YOUR TOTAL GROSS ANNUAL INCOME \$ _____

YOUR TOTAL FAMILY GROSS ANNUAL INCOME (your spouse included) \$_____

STATEMENT & SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

I attest to the fact that the information I have provided is true and accurate. Based on this information I am applying to TEACH Early Childhood® Rhode Island for a scholarship to help pay the cost of educational expenses. TEACH Early Childhood® Rhode Island is a program of Rhode Island Association for the Education of Young Children (RIAEYC).

Signature of Applicant

Date

**CHILD CARE PROVIDERS ASSOCIATE DEGREE SCHOLARSHIP MODEL
PRELIMINARY PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT**

The early childhood associate's degree scholarship model offered through TEACH Early Childhood® Rhode Island requires active participation and cost sharing from each scholarship recipient. In the event that I am awarded a scholarship, I agree to the following participation requirements:

1. Remain enrolled in the Associate's Degree Program in the major of Early Childhood Education/Child Development at the Community College of Rhode Island.
2. Contribute 10% of tuition and specified fees for approved coursework.
3. I understand that TEACH will cover up to \$200 worth for the cost of books for approved courses per semester.
4. **Successfully complete** 9-15 credit hours at the Community College of Rhode Island during an annual contract period that will not exceed twelve (12) months.
5. Continue to operate my childcare program for a minimum of 30 hours per week during the contract period and for one full year following the conclusion of contract.
6. Submit evidence of a completed FAFSA form at the time of application and every spring thereafter during years of TEACH participation. Receipts of financial aid is not required to receive a TEACH Scholarship. However, all applicants are required to apply for federal, state, and college aid via the completion of a FAFSA form. FAFSA stands for **Free** Application for Federal Student Aid. FAFSA forms can be accessed and filed through the website www.fafsa.ed.gov. **Be sure to access the given website, similar web addresses unnecessarily charge money for processing. The site you are referred to is free.** If you have questions about this process or need help completing the online FAFSA form, please contact the Educational Opportunity Center at CCRI, 401-455-6028. The TEACH scholarship office may also be consulted. Due to award cycles of FAFSA, it may be necessary for new TEACH summer applicants to apply for FAFSA two times within one TEACH contract period.
7. I understand that I will receive a \$100 travel stipend each semester I take courses as a TEACH scholar and a **\$450 bonus from TEACH** upon successful completion of my 12-month contract and upon submission of my grades.
8. I understand that the \$100 travel stipend may be used to offset my 10% contribution for tuition and books, if applicable.
9. I agree to submit my grades within 30 days of the close of the semester.
10. I understand that I am entitled to take UP TO 30 hours of paid release time during every semester. Additionally, TEACH will process paid release time claims automatically every semester.

Signature of TEACH Scholarship Applicant

Date

Please Print Name

**TEACH Early Childhood® Rhode Island
Associate Degree Scholarship Model
Facility Information**

Program Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Program Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address: (if different from mailing): _____

E-mail Address: _____ Program Fax #: _____

DHS Provider ID#: _____ License # _____

License Capacity: _____ Current Enrollment: _____

Please check all forms of funding your facility receives:

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|---|---|
| ☐ Head Start | ☐ Title 1 |
| ☐ Early Head Start | ☐ IDEA |
| ☐ State Head Start | ☐ State Subsidies: Contracts |
| ☐ State Pre-K | ☐ State Subsidies: Vouchers |

Applications must be submitted with the following items:

- 1) Verification of candidate's income (paystub or official letter from agency showing hourly wage)
- 2) Copy of the program's current DHS license
- 3) Evidence of completion of FAFSA
- 4) Two signatures in the box on page 5, center participation agreement

IMPORTANT: Applicants must meet *all* eligibility requirements listed below.

- Must work in a non-State PreK classroom
- Work in a DHS-licensed childcare program that is actively participating with BrightStars (the state's Quality Rating and Improvement System) and the DHS Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP)

Return Completed Application to:

TEACH Early Childhood® Rhode Island
Rhode Island AEYC
501 Centerville Road, Suite 202
Warwick, RI 02886

If you have any questions, please contact the TEACH Office at 401-739-6100 or teach@riaeyc.org