



Child Care Development Specialist Federally Registered Apprenticeship

The Childcare Development Specialist Apprenticeship allows job seekers and early learning professionals to choose their own path to become early childhood teacher/director qualified while learning on the job skills with on-site support.

This program allows teachers to work together with support from their employer and mentor teacher to increase quality within their early childhood programs. Apprentices work collaboratively with support to develop professional development plans to fit the needs of today's workforce

What apprentices have to say~

"This apprenticeship has helped me grow not only individually, but also mentally!!! It has been a joy working with so many people that have the same compassion with early childhood education."

*~Tianna Arellano
Toddler Teacher
Kinder Care Arvada West*

"Early Childhood Educators have been elevated to a new level of professionalism. To meet the new and emerging requirements, Child Care Innovations has created a path i.e. Child Care Development Specialist Apprenticeship to meet this need. You will receive a well-rounded education/instruction in the classroom and through on-site mentoring. It is an amazing group of people from all aspects of child-care from the State level, to instructors, to people who have a wealth of knowledge from experience. You will build relationships that will last though out your career. It is worth every moment you spend in this program for your career but more importantly for the children you teach. "

*~Vanessa Murray
Toddler Teacher
The Applewood School*

Who Should Apply?

- ◆ Have you ever dreamed of working with young children or joining the field of Early Childhood Education and do not know where to start?
- ◆ Are you a current early childhood professional looking to increase quality in your early childhood program with support in developing skills in the classroom?
- ◆ Are you looking to further your education with little or no cost to you?
- ◆ Do you have previous education and experience that you are looking to apply towards your early childhood teacher qualifications?
- ◆ Are you looking to be a part of a national movement in early care and learning?
- ◆ Are you looking for increases in compensation as an early childhood professional?

Apprenticeship Candidates must be:

- ◆ 16 years of age or older
- ◆ Employed or willing to be employed full time at an early childhood program
- ◆ Shows a commitment to the quality of care they provide
- ◆ Willing to make a 2 year commitment
- ◆ Willing and able to meet all applicable licensing and employer requirements

Benefits of Apprenticeship:

- ◆ Receive ongoing coaching and support while obtaining skills within your program
- ◆ Qualify for FREE and low cost training opportunities.
- ◆ Stipends and information on scholarship opportunities. (when available)
- ◆ Receive recognition from the United States Department of Labor as a Certified Child Care Development Specialist
- ◆ Become early child hood teacher/ director qualified

How to I apply?

For further information or questions please contact

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