

CHILD CARE EXCELLENCE ACADEMY

The CCEA is a 6-month paid training program for people who are interested in becoming a child care professional with little or no experience. The CCEA is a full-time program that includes early childhood training, project hours, wraparound support, career pathway planning, classroom hours, all requirements to earn a Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential, and internship matching for each trainee to a high quality licensed child care center.

We are seeking both trainees to participate in the program and child care centers to partner with us!



Selection Process

Support is provided by the Children's Cabinet, UNR Extension, and our child care center partners. Some support highlights include: 1 on 1 career navigation, resource acquisition support, paid training hours, CDA instruction and coaching, and on-site mentor.

Trainees will go through a process that will include submitting an application, an in-person interview, and an onboarding day before the training program starts.



Training Week 1: 5 day, all in-person training

Some topics we'll be covering include: First Aid and CPR, Introduction to the Early Childhood Education field, DEIB (Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging), and Relationship Building activities.

Attendance is mandatory for this entire week to remain in the CCEA.



Hybrid Learning & Classroom Experience Hours Weeks 2-8

Practicum: Trainees will gain experience by having classroom experience hours at several different centers and with different age groups.

Mondays and Wednesdays

8:00-12:00: Practicums at Centers

1:00 - 5:00: Combination of online training and appointments with Children's Cabinet specialists

Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays

will be in-person trainings.



Employment Matching Weeks 9-25

Trainees and Centers will be matched through a process that will involve consideration of priority needs and interviews at multiple sites.

Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays trainees will be working full days at the center they are matched with

Tuesdays will be all day, in-person trainings



Graduation & Completion Details

Upon training completion, project activities and classroom hours, trainees will submit an application to receive a CDA credential. Our staff will provide support to complete submission requirements. The child care partner and site mentor teacher will each receive a bonus of \$500 after completion of the CCEA for each trainee hired. Administrators and mentor teachers will be invited to the celebration event at the conclusion of the CCEA to recognize the trainees.

**Apply
Here!**

Application
for **TRAINEES**



Application
for **CENTERS**



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