# TEACH Early Childhood® Arkansas Scholarship Overview Child Care Centers – Public Colleges & Universities

## Participating Master's Programs in Early Childhood:

Arkansas State University: M.S. Early Childhood Services - M.S.E. Early Childhood Education Henderson State University: M.A.T. ECE-SPED Integrated (Birth-K)

### Am I eligible?

- Work as director, teacher or assistant at least 30 hours/wk in licensed child care center.
- Employed at least 90 days.
- Be admitted to a program in early childhood at a participating college or university.

### What centers can participate?

- Be a licensed child care center in good standing with Arkansas Child Care Licensing.
- Able to financially contribute a percentage of tuition, books and annual incentive.
- Agree to provide scholars with release time (3-6 hours weekly) reimbursed by TEACH.
- Better Beginnings accreditation at Level 3 or higher is encouraged.

# How does the TEACH Early Childhood® Scholarship work? \*

	TEACH	Scholar	Employer
Public Tuition/Fees	80%	10%	10%
Books	80%	10%	10%
Travel Stipend	\$200 per semester		-
Release Time	Reimburse employer \$15.00/hour up to 6 hours per week	Scholar completes at least 9	Agree to release time of 3-6 hours per week
Incentive	Pay scholar \$700 on completion of contract and work commitment	credit hours per year with passing	Pay scholar \$300 on completion of contract & work commitment (or 2% pay increase) **
Technology Stipend	Reimburse scholar up to \$500 for new laptop	grades.	N/A

<sup>\*</sup>All scholarships are subject to funding availability. Undergraduate programs may be given acceptance priority.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Pay increase must be in addition to any cost-of-living increases given to all employees.



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