

# TEACH Early Childhood® Arkansas Scholarship Overview

## Family Child Care – Public Colleges & Universities

**Participating Undergraduate Certificate and Degree Programs in Early Childhood:**  
**Certificate of Proficiency, Technical Certificate,**  
**Associate Degree, and Bachelor's Degree**

### Am I eligible?<sup>1</sup>

- Work as a family child care educator at least 30 hours/week in a licensed family child care home.
- Employed in family child care home for least 90 days.
- Be admitted to an approved certificate or degree program in early childhood.
- Ability to financially contribute a percentage of tuition and books each semester.

### What family child care homes can participate?

- Be a licensed child care home in good standing with Arkansas Child Care Licensing.
- Must demonstrate operation of at least six months in good standing.
- FCC program may provide FCC educator with release time (3-6 hours weekly reimbursed by TEACH) if qualified substitute staff is available to cover teaching responsibilities.
- Better Beginnings accreditation is encouraged.

### What does the TEACH Early Childhood® Scholarship cover?<sup>2</sup>

	TEACH Scholarship	Family Child Care Educator
<b>Tuition and Fees</b>	85%	15%
<b>Books</b>	85%	15%
<b>Travel Stipend</b>	\$200 per semester	Scholar must complete at least 9 credit hours per year, all with minimum grades required for degree credit.
<b>Release Time</b>	Reimburse FCC program for release time at \$15.00 per hour up to 6 hours per week	
<b>Incentive</b>	Pay scholar \$700 upon completion of contract and commitment	
<b>Technology</b>	Reimburse scholar up to \$700 for purchase of new laptop <sup>3</sup>	

<sup>1</sup>Scholarships are subject to funding availability. Certain certificate or degree programs may be prioritized.

<sup>2</sup>Other costs partially reimbursed include CDA assessment and Praxis test (if program leads to CDA or licensure).

<sup>3</sup>One time stipend available for certain certificate and degree models.

**To get a list of participating colleges, degree programs or an application, call us at 501-680-1930 or send an email to [teach@arkansasearlychildhood.org](mailto:teach@arkansasearlychildhood.org).**



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