

## PDG Programs Awarded to Date

*Note zip code locations below*

Alhambra Elementary School District  
Arcoiris Child Care  
A Stepping Stone Foundation  
Avondale Elementary District  
Balsz School District  
Bienestar Child Development Center  
Booker T. Washington  
Child Parent Center, Inc.  
Childtime  
Crane School District – Great Beginnings  
Creighton Elementary District, Creighton District ELC  
Deer Valley Unified District Head Start  
Douglas Unified School District  
Emily Maschter Early Learning Center  
Estrellita Day Care Group Home  
Fa Lundrum Child Development Center  
Fowler Elementary District  
Glendale Elementary District  
Growing Steps Childcare & Learning Center  
Harvest Preparatory Academy San Luis  
Hi Kids Child Care Pre-School  
Kids can Doodle-Milton, Inc  
Kids House Montessori Daycare & Preschool  
Kids Village  
Kinder Kollege  
Kindertots  
Lincoln Learning Center  
Littleton Elementary School District  
Nogales Unified District  
Osborn School District  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Preschool  
Paloma Elementary School District  
Pendergast Elementary School District  
Peoria Unified School District  
Preschool Express, LLC  
Rainbow Preschool  
Rehoboth Children's Learning Center  
Roosevelt Elementary District  
San Luis Preschool  
Santa Cruz Valley Unified School District #35  
Somerton Preschool Education  
Southwest Human Development  
Southwest Human Development Head Start  
Ss. Simon & Jude Cathedral School Pre-Kindergarten  
Stanfield Elementary District  
Strong Foundations Center for Early Learning & Resiliency (Homeward Bound)  
Sunnyside Unified District Ocotillo Early Learning Elementary School  
The Kings Treasures  
Tiny Treasures Preschool  
Tolleson Elementary District  
Tots Unlimited  
Tucson Unified School District  
Tutor Time #6076  
Washington Elementary School District  
Wesleyan Preschool & Childcare  
Wilson Elementary District

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85006, 85008, 85013, 85014, 85015, 85016, 85017, 85018, 85019, 85020, 85021, 85023, 85029, 85031, 85037, 85040, 85043, 85051, 85053, 85272, 85301, 85302, 85303, 85304, 85305, 85306, 85307, 85323, 85336, 85337, 85349, 85350, 85353, 85364, 85607, 85608, 85621, 85626, 85643, 85698, 85705, 85706, 85710, 85745

## Scholarship Application Process

1. **Identify a primary educational pathway with the support of a college advisor**
2. **Apply for Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**  
the first opportunity that the application period is available
3. **Gather necessary documents:**
  - ✓ Official transcripts confirming AA or BA degree award –OR- CDA (Child Development Associate) credential certificate
  - ✓ Driver's License, Passport, or State issued identification
  - ✓ Proof of current employment or volunteer experience with children birth to age 5, not yet in kindergarten
  - ✓ Education Plan/Course of Study including student teaching leading toward ECE/ECSE Arizona teaching certification
  - ✓ Screenshot of courses, books, and fees for the semester you are requesting scholarship
4. **Enroll in courses at an accredited college or university (maximum of 24 credits per year):**
  - Bachelor's or Master's Degree in ECE or ECSE leading toward ECE or ECSE Arizona teaching certification
5. **Use the Arizona Early Childhood Workforce Registry ([azearlychildhood.org](http://azearlychildhood.org)) to:**
  - Request payment for tuition & fees
  - Request payment for book(s)
  - Send official transcripts with a 'C' or better after course completion
  - Apply for bonuses

NOTE: Reimbursements to individuals for courses, fees, and books are not allowed.

## Our Commitment

**The scholarship program will provide bonuses at education milestones during scholarship participation.**

See 'My Tools' area on the left side once you are logged into the Arizona Early Childhood Workforce & Professional Development Registry.

## Your Commitment

**To continue receiving scholarship benefits you must complete the following:**

- During **1<sup>st</sup> year of scholarship participation**, use the Registry to enroll in & complete the following: FTF Champion Training –OR- Health & Safety Specialist Training
- During the **2nd year & beyond of scholarship participation**: conduct a FTF Champion presentation –OR- Mentor a new College Scholarship Participant –OR- Attend regional council meetings to present your education story –OR- Work with the college scholarship administrative home to present the scholarship program at a local conference or in the community –OR- Identify an activity that will contribute in a meaningful way to the field as approved by the administrative home.
- **Obtain Arizona Early Childhood Teaching Certification and work in the field for 2 years.**



## Preschool Development Grant (PDG) Scholarship Leading to Early Childhood & Early Childhood Special Education Teaching Certification

Financial scholarships to support eligible individuals in completing a Bachelor or Master degree in early childhood education or early childhood special education leading to Arizona Department of Education teaching certification

### Scholarship Benefits

- Tuition, books, course and university fees
- Financial bonus upon achievement of education milestones during scholarship participation

### Am I Eligible?

- Are you currently an early childhood professional working or volunteering in an Arizona county with PDG awarded childcare locations\* including: Cochise, Maricopa, Pima, Pinal, Santa Cruz & Yuma counties; working with or on behalf of children birth through age 5?
- Do you have transcripts to show obtainment of CDA credential OR award of Associate OR Bachelor degree?
- Are you attending a college/university with course of study includes student teaching and leads to ECE or ECSE AZ Dept. of Ed certification?
- Do you meet the minimum age as defined by college or university acceptance policy?
- Have you enrolled in the Arizona Early Childhood Workforce Registry
- Are you an Arizona resident?
- Are you lawful present in the United State per A.R.S. §1-502?

\*Note: Scholarship applications from staff/volunteers with PDG Programs Awarded to Date will have priority; specifically individuals who work with young children not yet in kindergarten and who do not have a bachelor degree and ECE or ECSE Arizona Department of Education teacher certification. †

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For information about the Arizona Early  
Childhood Career & Professional  
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azearlychildhood.org