Celebrating 10 Years of T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® Texas

In the last 10 years...

SCHOLARSHIP
• 2053 Scholarship Recipients
• 1320 CDA Assessment Fee Recipients
• 654 Associate Recipients
• 72 Bachelor Recipients
• 7 Alternative Certification Recipients
• 20 Apprenticeship Recipients

EDUCATION
• 845 CDA Credentials Earned
• 5710 College Hours Completed
• Associate Recipients
  28 Degrees Earned
  12.39 Average Hours Earned
  3.36 Average GPA
• Bachelor Recipients
  9 Degrees Earned
  15.29 Average Hours Earned
  3.08 Average GPA
• 35 Partnering Colleges and Universities

COMPENSATION
• $8.34 Average starting wage in 2012
• $11.18 Average wage in 2020
• 34.05% Overall Increase

COMMITMENT
• 792 Sponsoring Programs
• Retention Rates
  91% Average Retention for CDA Assessment Recipients
  94% Average Retention of Associate Recipients
  100% Average Retention of Bachelor Recipients
• Over 46,000 children have been impacted over the last 10 years

Celebrating 10 Years of SUPPORTING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS IN TEXAS 2011-2021
WHAT IS T.E.A.C.H.?
The T.E.A.C.H. (Teacher Education and Compensation Helps) Early Childhood® Program (T.E.A.C.H.) is an evidence-based strategy that creates access to higher education for early childhood educators. T.E.A.C.H. provides comprehensive scholarships to enable early childhood educators to take coursework leading to credentials and degrees at local community colleges and universities in Texas. By supporting higher education, the program is helping to establish a well-qualified, fairly compensated, and stable workforce for Texas children and families.

WHAT DOES T.E.A.C.H. OFFER?
- 80% of tuition and books
- 85% of the CDA Assessment Fee
- $100 Travel Stipend per semester
- $350 completion bonus at end of contract year (paid by T.E.A.C.H.) for Associate Recipients
- $500 completion bonus at end of contract year (paid by T.E.A.C.H.) for Bachelor Recipients
- Sponsoring center offers 2% raise or $300 bonus at completion of contract year for Associate/Bachelor Scholarship Recipients
- $200 bonus for completion of CDA Credential (paid by T.E.A.C.H.)
- Individualized support through specialized counseling

"In this field, I have gained so many new skills such as multi-tasking, anticipating behaviors, being able to adjust myself to meet children's interest/needs, and I play so many roles such as a storyteller, a magician, a bus driver, a cook, a tissue and many more. This sparked a drive in me to gain a better understanding of children's development and the important role ECE professionals have in the field. As a Texas Rising Star mentor, I provide support to ECE professionals in the community."

-- Kimberly V.
Bachelor's of Early Childhood Education Associate in Early Childhood Studies (T.E.A.C.H.)

"I choose to educate young children because I believe that teaching, nurturing, and social development start at a young age. As children begin to develop, I love increasing my own education in early education so I can support parents and families in the developmental needs of all children. With the mentorship, guidance, and support for my staff, families, and myself, I feel confident that we are able to accommodate quality and educational needs for all children."

-- Ontara N.
Associate of Applied Science in Child Development

"Receiving a scholarship from T.E.A.C.H. Texas gave me the motivation to complete my Associate in Early Childhood Studies in two years. It has also motivated me to achieve a higher level of education for myself and get my Bachelor's."

-- Lindsay L.
Family Home Provider, San Antonio, TX

Without the support of the T.E.A.C.H. Program, I would not have been able to receive my CDA. I appreciate the opportunity to learn from all of the materials and to improve my professional child care career. Thank you, T.E.A.C.H.

-- Celia D.
CDA Recipient

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