

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
Cabinet for Health and Family Services
Department for Community Based Services
Division of Child Care

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPERATIONS MANUAL

Public Preschool Staff and the Non-College Scholarship Program

Policy Clarification

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Situation: Currently Public pre-school aides who do not have access to funding to obtain training for the Child Development Associate Credential (CDA). Currently the Early Care and Education Kentucky Higher Education Authority Association (KHEAA) Scholarship program offers scholarship dollars to public pre-school aides who do not have access to other funding.

Clarification: Public pre-school staff, without access to training funds from another source shall be eligible for the Non-College Scholarship. Staff must meet all scholarship recipient requirements as outlined in 11 KAR 16:010 Section 1 and in the Commonwealth Child Care Credential/Child Development Associate Credential Scholarship Application (Revised 9/2007).

If a public pre-school staff employee is employed at a non-licensed center they will not be eligible to receive a Commonwealth Child Care Credential (CCCC), but may use the non-college scholarship to obtain a CDA. Professional Development Counselors are responsible for notifying the scholarship recipient of their eligibility status for a CCCC and the Milestone Achievement Award. In addition, the PD Counselor is required to notify the Approved Training Organization that the scholarship recipient is only eligible for the CDA (full 120 hours of instruction).