

Golden Corridor Association for the Education of Young Children

SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT INFORMATION

Scholarship and grant funds are available to:

1. Individuals enrolled in Early Childhood courses
2. Individuals completing Child Development Associate (CDA) certification
3. Individuals attending a GoAEYC, Illinois AEYC, Midwest AEYC, NAEYC or other approved Early Childhood Conference
4. Individuals seeking Director Credential
5. Programs seeking NAEYC Accreditation or Reaccreditation

Applicants must be current members of GoAEYC at the time of application.

Beneficiaries of scholarships and grants must be current members of GoAEYC at the time the scholarships or grants are awarded and dispensed. Applications must be made **prior** to completion of professional development for which scholarship/grant is requested.

The GoAEYC Scholarship and Grant Committee is solely responsible for selecting the recipients based on application received and the amount of funds available each year. Scholarship/grant amounts will not exceed costs incurred minus funds received from other sources (CCR&R, employee tuition reimbursements, etc.)

Current GoAEYC Board members may not apply and are not eligible for scholarship and grant funds.

1. Individuals enrolled in Early Childhood courses
 - A. Individual scholarships of up to \$250.00 are awarded
 - B. Two letters of recommendation must be included with the application form
 - C. The scholarship is awarded upon proof of completion of course(s), receipt of transcript, and receipts indicating total cost of course(s) and books.
Scholarships will be awarded according to grades received (not to exceed \$250.00 or the total cost of tuition and books): A - 100%, B - 75%, C - 50%, D - 0%, F - 0%, Incomplete - 0%
 - D. Scholarships will be awarded for courses in which the applicant is currently enrolled. Courses completed prior to the application date will not be considered
2. Individuals completing Child Development Associate (CDA) certification
 - A. Individual scholarships of up to \$250.00 are awarded for the Child Development Associate (CDA) Application Fee, Assessment Fee, and/or Advisor Fee.
 - B. Two letter of recommendation must be included with the application form.
 - C. The scholarship is awarded upon receipt of the credential from the Early Childhood Council and a copy of the check for the Assessment Fee.

3. Individuals attending GoAEYC, Illinois AEYC, Midwest AEYC, NAEYC, or other approved Early Childhood conference.
 - A. Individual grants not to exceed \$250.00 are awarded.
 - B. Two letters of recommendation must be included with the application form.
 - C. Individuals applying for the grants must be either students enrolled in Early Childhood programs, employed at an early childhood program/center, college, or university.
 - D. Conferences other than those associated with NAEYC or its affiliates must be approved by the Scholarship and Grant Committee.
 - E. Grant will be awarded upon proof of attendance at conference, copy of registration check, and receipts for transportation and hotel expenses.
4. Individuals seeking Illinois Director Credential
 - A. Individual grants of \$250.00 are awarded for the Direct Route Illinois Director Credential
 - B. Grant will be awarded upon receipt of Director Credential Certificate or letter stating that the Credential has been granted and copies of checks for application and Credential fees.
5. Programs seeking accreditation or reaccreditation
 - A. Grants to apply to NAEYC accreditation or reaccreditation fees of up to \$250.00 are awarded
 - B. The Director of the program seeking m accreditation or reaccreditation must be a current member of GoAEYC.
 - C. Grants will be awarded upon receipt of letter stating that the commission has granted accreditation and a copy of checks for application and validation fees

Completed application forms should be sent to:

Linda Wywialowski
Community Child Care Center of Palatine Township
721 S. Quentin Rd.
Palatine, IL 60067

All applicants will receive a letter indicating receipt and status of their application. Call Linda Wywialowski at (847) 991-1030 with questions or requests for additional information.