



ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION?

The Early Childhood Council of the San Luis Valley has connections and resources to help our community members build their knowledge in Early Childhood Education

Scholarships, Resources, Grants & Trainings

- **ECC Professional Development Scholarship**

ECCSLV partners with The Buell Foundation to grant scholarships up to \$1500 to early childhood professionals

- **T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood Colorado Scholarship Program**

Funding for higher education for those in pursuit of an Early Childhood Credential; Director Qualification; Associate Degree; Bachelor's Degree; Master's Degree; Early Childhood Credential

<https://ecclacolorado.org/teachscholarships/>
https://ecclacolorado.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/EC-Community-Specialist-Flyer_June2022.pdf

- **The Partnership for Rural Educator Preparation (T-Prep) & Scholarship**

A unique and flexible program that provides tomorrow's teachers who are living and/or working in rural communities with a way to earn a four-year degree and teaching license without leaving home.

https://bit.ly/TPREP_Inquiry_Form
https://bit.ly/TPREP_ECE_Scholar

- **ECE Educator Stipends/Scholarships/Loan Forgiveness**

The Colorado Department of Higher Education is collaborating with the Colorado Community College System and public institutions of higher education to provide funding opportunities to aspiring and in-service Early Childhood Educators.

<https://cdhe.colorado.gov/students/preparing-for-college/educator-funding-opportunities/ece-educator-stipends/scholarships>

- **Back to Work: Early Childhood Education Scholarship Program**

Provides funding for higher education for Colorado residents affected by COVID and seeking a degree or certificate in ECE

<https://ecclacolorado.org/backtowork/>

- **Rural R.U.N. Scholarship Program**

The Rural Reskilling, Upskilling, Next-skilling (R.U.N.) Scholarship Program provides career counseling and tuition support to early childhood professionals in rural communities seeking to reskill, upskill, or next-skill.

<https://ecclacolorado.org/ruralrun/>

- **Concurrent Enrollment Scholarship for High School Students**

Funding and support for high school students interested in earning college credits and work experience in Early Childhood

<https://ecclacolorado.org/cescholarship/>

- **Early Childhood Coach Credential Scholarship**

This provides funding and individualized support to help early childhood professionals obtain a Colorado Coach Credential

<https://ecclacolorado.org/coachcredential/>

- **Child Development Associate**

Child Development Associate Grants are available through Red Rocks Community College:

<https://www.rbcc.edu/child-care-innovations/child-development-associate-credential-program>

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- **COSI: Colorado Opportunity Scholarship Initiative**

Works to reduce barriers to postsecondary education by providing funding across the state for student programming. It offers scholarships and support services. Programs include Matching Student Scholarships and Second Chance Scholarship.

<https://cdhe.colorado.gov/programs-and-services/cosi-colorado-opportunity-scholarship-initiative>

- **Free Early Childhood College Courses**

Through community colleges ECE 101 & ECE 103 are paid for those that need the courses to become an ECE Teacher

<https://cdhe.colorado.gov/students/preparing-for-college/educator-funding-opportunities/ece-educator-stipends/scholarships>

- **Child Care Development Specialist Apprenticeship Program**

This program allows job seekers and early learning professionals to choose their own path to become early childhood teacher/director qualified while learning on the job skills with on-site support.

<https://www.rccc.edu/child-care-innovations/child-care-development-specialist-apprenticeship-program>

- **National Director Credential/McCormick Center for Early Childhood Leadership**

Aim4Excellence™ offers an engaging and interactive online professional learning experience that focuses on the core leadership and management competencies early childhood leaders need.

<https://mccormickcenter.nl.edu/services/national-director-credential/>

- **Justice, Equity, and Belonging Resources**

This provides resources that can support you in creating inclusive environments for children, families, and educators.

<https://ecllcolorado.org/jebresources/>

- **Quality Improvement Incentive**

This is a one-time financial incentive for providers who increase their program's Colorado Shines quality level from 1 to 2 or from Level 2 to 3-5

<https://www.coecstimulus.com/what-am-i-eligible-for>

- **Free Business Training for Child Care Programs & Free Individual Business Consultation**

This training is an opportunity for child care providers to build their business skills.

<https://www.coecstimulus.com/>

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