

# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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- [EarlyChildhood.org](http://EarlyChildhood.org) - Designed to provide a one stop source of information for those exploring careers in early childhood and school aged programs as well as those already in the field and looking advance in their careers. It also contains information that supports the efforts of programs directors and others to improve the quality of their programs.
  - [Career Development Resource Guide](#)
  - [Credential Programs](#)
  - [College and University Degree Programs and Training Resources](#)
- [Council for Professional Recognition](#) - In keeping with its goal to meet the growing need for qualified child care staff, the council administers the Child Development Associate (CDA) National Credentialing Program. The CDA program is designed to access and credential early childhood care and education professionals based on performance.
  - [CDA Credential](#)
- [SUNY Learning Network](#) - Find an online degree program.
- [National Association for the Education of Young Children](#) - The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) is dedicated to improving the wellbeing of all young children, with particular focus on quality of educational and development services for all children from birth to age 8.
  - [Accreditation](#)
- [National Association for Family Child Care](#) - The National Association for Family Child Care is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting quality child care by strengthening the profession of family child care.
  - [Training Institutes](#)
  - [Accreditation](#)
- [Early Care & Learning Council](#) - Training workshops provide training and technical assistance designed to help center directors meet these challenges. These programs are offered to all center directors at no cost.



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