



Early Childhood Professional Development Scholarship Application

Name: _____ Date: _____

Employer: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____

E-mail: _____

If scholarship is awarded, please mark who the check will be written to _____ Center _____ Individual
 _____ (initial here) I understand that payment will be reimbursed within 30 days of Grand Beginnings receiving proof of attendance

I am applying for: (check one)

College Tuition Assistance

For semester beginning: _____ (date) at _____ (school)

Course Name and Number (e.g. ECE 103 – Guidance in the Classroom) _____

Course to be taken: classroom on-line combination

Total Tuition: \$ _____ Other Scholarship Funding Received: \$ _____

Total Scholarship Request: \$ _____

Continuing Education (conference/workshop/training)

To be held on: _____ (date) Title of Session: _____

Course to be taken: live on-line

Total Cost : \$ _____ Other Scholarship Funding Received: \$ _____

Total Scholarship Request: \$ _____

Job Title or note Family Child Care Home	Hours per week	Length of time in field	Age Group	Seasonal (yes/no)

Why are you taking this class? _____

How will it impact your work? _____

Have you completed all Level II courses in PDIS? Y/N What early childhood professional credential are you? _____

*Applicants must submit a copy of their PDIS (Professional Development Information System) transcript (see policies and procedures for further explanation)

Applicant Signature (attesting to the accuracy of the information provided and the applicant's understand of the scholarship policies):

 Applicant Name

 Applicant Signature

 Date

Supervisor Support (if you do not have a supervisor – disregard)

I support this candidate's educational pursuits. I have reviewed this application and to the best of my knowledge, believe that all of the information provided is accurate. If for some reason the applicant does not fulfill his/her obligation, the early childhood program accepts the financial responsibility to repay the scholarship funds

 Supervisor Name

 Supervisor Signature

 Date



Early Childhood Professional Development Scholarship Policies and Procedures

Grand Beginnings is committed to recognizing and promoting the career advancement among those working in the early childhood field. The **Early Childhood Professional Development Fund** was designed to assist in this effort. Dollars are available for teachers currently working 30 or more hours at a Early Childhood Program or are licensed family home providers working towards a level two or higher in the Colorado Shines system and are enrolled in college credit course work or continuing education offered to early childhood professionals. Please see complete policy details and application on the following pages.

Training and educational opportunities are available in Grand County and the state of Colorado to enhance the professional development of caregivers and to improve the quality of care for young children. *Please know that there are several other programs available to Grand County early childhood teachers to assist in their professional growth. Please visit our website for more information www.grandbeginnings.org*

- **Applicants are eligible to receive funding per semester for one completed college course. Applicants are also eligible for continuing education reimbursement. Applicants will be eligible after registering in the PDIS (Professional Development Information System). All awards are based on available funding.**
- **Scholarship money will be applied only to the actual tuition associated with the course. Student fees, books, travel and/or other materials are not covered. Students must submit a statement reflecting the tuition for the course with their application and receipts for the tuition paid. Funding will not be paid retroactively.**
- **Applicants will receive notification of their award by email or mail shortly after the submission deadline. Scholarship recipients will receive their scholarship money once the course is completed and final required documents are submitted. If financial arrangements CANNOT be made to pay for the class at time of registration, Grand Beginnings will consider prepayment with an additional contract from the applicant.**
- **Applicants should not apply for an Early Childhood Professional Learning Fund Scholarship through Grand Beginnings if their course is being paid in full by another scholarship source. However, if for example, the applicant has a T.E.A.C.H. scholarship that pays 80%, they may apply for the unfunded 20% difference.**
- **To receive their scholarship award, applicants must submit a transcript or report card showing course completion with their grade. For other professional training, a certificate of completion is adequate.**
- **Recipients must receive a grade of C or higher in all college course work.**
- **If recipient accepts scholarship but if course is not completed or required paperwork not submitted in timely manner applicants may not be eligible for scholarship in following funding cycle.**
- **Applicants must submit a copy of their PDIS (Professional Development Information System) transcript, found in PDIS on left hand side under site navigation, individual learning path and PD planning, "my transcript".**

Signature required

Please address any questions and/or concerns to Grand Beginnings

programs@grandbeginnings.org