# F MILY SUPPORT

A Program of Iowa Association for the Education of Young Children

### **T.E.A.C.H.** IOWA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

A partnership between Iowa AEYC and Iowa Department Health and Human Services -MIECHV

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### What is Teacher Education and Compensation Helps (T.E.A.C.H.)?

EDUCATION	T.E.A.C.H. helps participants to earn a required number of college credit hours for a role-related degree or credential.
SCHOLARSHIP	T.E.A.C.H. offers financial support to pay for college courses, books and travel.
COMPENSATION	T.E.A.C.H. participants earn a bonus after successful completion of a year of education.
COMMITMENT	T.E.A.C.H. participants agree to continue service as a family support professional in their current program.
COUNSELOR	Counselors offer support to navigate the college process and T.E.A.C.H. paperwork.

T.E.A.C.H. and the lowa Department Health and Human Services are a public-private partnership that implements a scholarship program for family support workers. T.E.A.C.H. will provide comprehensive scholarships to family support professionals who are willing to obtain college credits toward a higher education degree, relevant to their work in family support.

## T.E.A.C.H. INFORMATION

### What will T.E.A.C.H. pay for?

T.E.A.C.H. scholarship contracts are for one year each, supporting tuition for 9-24 college credits per year, books, travel costs, contract sign-on and completion bonus. The individual attending school (or their Pell grant) and/or the employing program supports a percentage of this investment.

### Where can you go to college?

To earn a CDA, AA or BA a participant can use T.E.A.C.H. to attend any community college or four-year college/university in Iowa.

### What are the scholarship options?

The answer to this question depends on your end goal (CDA<sup>®</sup>, associate degree, etc), and your current job. There are options for credentials, certificates, associate, bachelor scholarships. This information can also be found in the T.E.A.C.H. application.



## T.E.A.C.H. INFORMATION

### To be eligible, you must:

- Be employed at least 30 hours/week in a direct family support or supervisory role for at least 90 days.
- Be a family support administrator in Iowa who provides oversight to an evidence-based model program and spends at least 75% of their time on contract administration and program oversight and has been working at their current program for at least 6 months.
- Be employed at an lowa-based family support program that is receiving state or federal funds. Eligible programs include home visiting and group-based parent education programs.
- Plan to obtain college credits towards an approved degree at an lowabased college. Must have completed at least 60 college credits or obtain a waiver from T.E.A.C.H. to start at a four-year institution.

### ARE YOU...



Working toward a role-related degree, credential or endorsement at an Iowa college (or would you like to be?)



Working in an lowa-based family support home visiting and/or group-based parent education program that is receiving state or federal funds?



Do you have the support of your employer and are you willing to make a commitment to stay with your employer for at least one year past the end of your one-year (3 semester) contract?

## SPONSORING PROGRAMS FAQS

### WHAT IS EXPECTED OF MY PROGRAM?

Supporting programs are expected to pay 20% of all tuition and books. Programs will receive a completion bonus to offset these costs at the end of every successfully completed contract.

### WHAT IS EXPECTED OF MY EMPLOYEE(S)?

Attend classes and successfully complete at least 9 credit hours during the T.E.A.C.H. contract year.

Continue employment at your program for an additional year, upon completion of the contract year.

Contribute 10% of tuition and book costs for each course. Some family support staff are eligible for a federal Pell grant, which may cover this 10% and the agency's portion. (The family support professional is responsible for paying the difference to college for tuition above public rate at 4-year schools.)

### HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

Costs vary depending on how much financial aid an employee receives, how many courses they take, book costs and which model is chosen. T.E.A.C.H. Counselors are able to provide you with an estimate tailored to your program.

### WHAT ARE THE CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS?

- Reimburse Iowa Association for the Education of Young Children (Iowa AEYC) when billed, for percentage of tuition, books.
- Provide Iowa AEYC demographic information about the program.
- Notify Iowa AEYC with changes in participant's employment status.

### **PROGRAMS & DEGREE** OPTIONS

### POSSIBLE DEGREES AND CREDENTIALS:

- Home Visitor CDA Credential
- Associate Degree— in role appropriate degree\*
- Bachelor Degree— in role appropriate degree\*
- Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Certificate at lowa State University

\* Role appropriate degrees may include, but are not limited to, Child/Family Services, Family Studies, Health/Human Services, Nursing and Social Work.

### Home Visitor CDA Credential:

www.cdacouncil.org/credentials/apply-for-cda/home-visitor

Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Certificate www.hdfs.hs.iastate.edu/graduate-programs/graduate-certificates

### FAMILY SUPPORT SCHOLARSHIPS

	T.E.A.C.H.	PROGRAM	FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER
Scholarship	Tuition: 70% Books: 70% Travel/Internet: \$100 per semester	Tuition: 20% Books: 20%	Tuition: 10% Books: 10%
Education	T.E.A.C.H. will only cover tuition costs up to the rate per credit charged by Iowa's public universities. Fees will need to be covered by recipient.	Provide flexibility in scheduling for courses, if needed. Provide support and regular communication, related to grades and course progress.	9 – 24 credits at a community college or 4 year college/ university
Compensation (Bonuses will only be issued upon successful completion of the contract.)	Associate's Degree T.E.A.C.H. pays \$800 to Family Support Worker T.E.A.C.H. pays \$500 to program	Receives \$500.00 from T.E.A.C.H.	Receives \$800 from T.E.A.C.H.
	Bachelor's T.E.A.C.H. pays \$1000 to Family Support Worker T.E.A.C.H. pays \$1000 to program	Receives \$1000.00 from T.E.A.C.H.	Receives \$1000 from T.E.A.C.H.
Commitment			1-year commitment to current program

# APPLY NOW



APPLICATION

Contact a T.E.A.C.H. Counselor (515) 331-8000 teach@iowaaeyc.org

visit us iowaaeyc.org/programs/teach/familysupport-model/

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