



Start your early childhood career with a nationally recognized credential

Join GenerationEd's CDA® Apprenticeship Program

What is a CDA credential?

The Child Development Associate (CDA) credential is the most widely known and valued credential in the field of early childhood education. If you work with children ages birth to 5 years old, a CDA® credential certifies your knowledge, skills and abilities as an early childhood educator.

About the CDA® Apprenticeship

The Child Development CDA® Apprenticeship Program addresses the need for highly qualified childcare professionals in Guilford County by offering low-income and underemployed adults the opportunity to receive the training and education needed to become fully proficient early child care providers while earning a livable wage.

Top three reasons to get a CDA® credential

- 1 Improved Job Skills and Performance Learn to provide exceptional care while staying on top of cutting edge early childhood advancements and practices.
- 2 Career Advancement
 Experience limitless possibilities, career
 advancement opportunities AND earn
 higher wages
- Gain Parent Confidence, Boost Your Own
 Feel good knowing that parents trust
 your knowledge and capabilities as an
 early childhood educator

CDA® Apprenticeship Program at-a-glance

- Hands-on experience from a team of professionals and experts in early childhood education
- Classroom based technical instruction that can result in college credit
- One-on-one mentoring opportunities
- Professional portfolio
- CDA Apprenticeship Program exam



This program is teaching me so much more than how to be a great teacher. It is providing me with an opportunity to do better and have a better life for my kids."

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