

Would you like

\$450

to

\$5,000

more each year?



Guess what?

We can help with that!

Early Childhood Educator INCENTIVE\$ Florida, administered by the Children's Forum, rewards early learning educators with annual stipends as they further their education and remain committed to the classroom.

INCENTIVE\$ works alongside other quality initiatives to help educate, retain, and support our state's early learning workforce. The program also helps foster strong, stable relationships with young children and helps prepare them for positive outcomes in school and life.

The program is currently available in participating counties. You can learn more about INCENTIVE\$ and apply today at incentives-fl.com.

Benefits:

- Provides education-based annual stipends to early learning and family child care educators
- Average annual stipend payment of \$1,280 (FY 2023-24)
- Proven to raise morale with increased recognition and job satisfaction

Outcomes:

- Supports professional growth, higher education, and career advancement
- Provides increased compensation with a commitment to the early childhood field
- Encourages high-quality care across Florida's early learning workforce

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For more information contact us at
850-487-6300 or visit incentives-fl.com

INCENTIVE\$ SCALE

Level & Career Pathway	Education and/or Credentials	Annual Stipend
★ 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bachelor Degree in ECE/CD Bachelor Degree or higher with 36 credit hours in ECE/CD 	\$5,000
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bachelor Degree or higher with 24 credit hours in ECE/CD 	\$3,500
★ 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Associate Degree in ECE/CD Associate Degree or higher with 21 credit hours in ECE/CD 	\$2,250
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bachelor Degree or higher with 12 credit hours in ECE/CD Associate Degree with 18 credit hours in ECE/CD 90 credit hours toward a Bachelor Degree with 15 credit hours in ECE/CD 	\$1,600
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bachelor Degree or higher Associate Degree with 12 credit hours in ECE/CD 45 credit hours with 15 credit hours in ECE/CD 	\$1,200 ⌚
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Associate Degree 70 credit hours of well-rounded coursework 36 credit hours with 12 credit hours in ECE/CD 36 credit hours plus a National CDA or Florida Staff Credential 	\$850 ⌚
★ 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 24 credit hours with 12 credit hours in ECE/CD 	\$650 ⌚
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 credit hours ECE/CD National CDA or Florida Staff Credential 	\$450 ⌚

⌚ INCENTIVE\$ participants at scale levels 1 through 4 have a continuing education requirement to complete (one) three college-credit course in Early Childhood Education or Child Development. To retain program eligibility, center-based educators must satisfy the requirement every two years; family child care educators every three years.

★ Indicates a corresponding level of the Florida Early Learning and Afterschool Career Pathway of certificates, credentials, and degrees. These Career Pathways provide a road map to professional career opportunities within early care and education. Visit the Florida Division of Early Learning at floridaearlylearning.com for more information.

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