

IdahoSTARS Early Childhood Care and Education Career Pathway*

	Completed Level of Education	Requirements	Award Amount	
			Non QRIS	QRIS
Level 1	PDS Entry/Essential Trainings	Participating in PDS	\$0	\$0
Level 2	CDA	Current CDA Credential OR 12 ECE or related field college credits	\$245	\$315
Level 3	Technical Certificate in ECE	Technical certificate in ECE	\$280	\$350
Level 4	Associate Degree in ECE	Associate Degree in ECE OR related field OR Associate Degree in any discipline w/30 ECE or related field college credits	\$350	\$350
Level 5	Bachelor Degree in ECE	Bachelor Degree in ECE OR related field OR Bachelor Degree in any discipline w/36 ECE or related field college credits	\$350	\$350
Level 6	Master Degree or higher in ECE	Master Degree or higher in ECE	\$350	\$350

Professional Development Award Options within your Anniversary Cycle

Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Level Move Award	Anniversary Award	Essential Trainings
Option 4	Option 5	
Level Move Award and Essential Trainings	Anniversary Award and Essential Trainings	

1) Level Move Award	2) Anniversary Award					3) Essential Trainings	
An award that recognizes a provider's education in the field of Early Childhood Education. **	Annual award that providers can receive after completing 15 hours of IdahoSTARS approved training or 1 ECE credit.					An award that recognizes the completion of each Essential Training Series.	
<i>See chart above for award amount.</i>	Non QRIS \$140		QRIS \$175			Non QRIS \$140	QRIS \$210
	<i>PDS Longevity Award (How many years in PDS)</i>						
	<i>1 year</i> \$20	<i>2 years</i> \$35	<i>3 years</i> \$50	<i>4 years</i> \$70	<i>5 + years</i> \$90		

Note: To qualify as QRIS, an individual must be employed at a site verified at Step One at the time of award.

****ECE and Related Degrees include: Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education, Special Education, Family & Consumer Science, Child, Family & Consumer Studies, Childhood Development, Preschool Education, Childcare and Development, Human Development, Nursery Education, Family Relations and Child Development, and Professional Preschool Education.**

****All IdahoSTARS Professional Development Awards are subject to availability of funds***