



Cleveland Co. Partnership for Children & Child Care Connections' Education Incentive and Graduation Bonus 2021-2022

Administrators, lead teachers, and teachers in all licensed facilities in Cleveland County who are registered for classes in Early Childhood Education or in pursuit of a degree in Early Childhood Education and **remain employed in a licensed facility in Cleveland County** may participate in the Education Incentive Bonus.

- Participants will receive a bonus for each college credit hour in Early Childhood Education or classes working toward a degree in Early Childhood Education they complete during Fall Semester 2020 and Spring Semester 2021
 - Participants who completed a course with a grade “C” may receive up to \$75 per credit hour (ex. \$75 for 1 hr. credit class, \$150 for 2 hr. credit class, \$225 for 3 hr credit class, etc.).
 - **Participants may be reimbursed for no more than 24 credit hours or \$1,800.00 per year.**

➤ **Applicants who are interested on applying MUST attend Information Session**

- **Fall Semester: September 16, 2021 12:30-1:30pm, 6:00-7:00pm**
- **Spring Semester: March 10, 2022 12:30-1:30pm, 6:00-7:00pm**
- Providers will be served on a first come/first serve basis as long as funds are available.
- Priority will be given to assisting as many providers as possible complete at least six hours of college credit in Early Childhood Education in a 12 month period.
- **THESE WILL BE INDIVIDUAL BONUSES.**

A Graduation Award is available for Fall and Semester Semester. Requirements for this award are the same as for the Education Bonus:

- 1) **Must be employed at a license childcare facility in Cleveland County**
- 2) **A graduation award application must be completed and returned with a copy of an official transcript showing Early Childhood Degrees, certificates, and/or diploma earned.**

There is a limit of \$50 per project year for eligible providers.

Education and Graduation Bonus Applications are Due:
Fall Semester: December 17, 2021
Spring Semester: June 10, 2022

If you have questions please call Shermunda Ross at Child Care Connections at 704-487-7397 ext. 100.

Disclaimer: Approval of application does not guarantee funds will be available.

Important: Bonuses will not be issued without a completed application.