

2022-23 Workforce Stipend Program REQUIREMENTS AND PROCESS	
Eligibility Requirements	 All participants must meet each of the following eligibility requirements: Employed during the program year in a licensed, or license-exempt early learning setting/program/agency that is state-subsidized or accepts vouchers in Yuba, Sutter, and Colusa Counties; Employed for 9 months (6 months for migrant programs and family, friend, and neighbor providers) during the enrollment year to maintain eligibility. Work directly with children ages 0-5 years old a minimum of 12 hours per week, or supervise teaching staff and work directly with children for a minimum of 12 hours a week. Yearly earnings less than \$60,000.
Enrollment Priorities	 Level 1 priority will be given on a first come, first serve basis to providers taking college course work Level 2 priority will be given to family child care providers, family friend & neighbor providers (FFN), those working with infant/toddlers, dual-language learners, special needs, tribal, and migrant children and families. Level 3 priority will be given to other providers who meet eligibility requirements.
Application/Orientation Workshop	All applicants must attend a virtual Application/Orientation Meeting reviewing project requirements and guidelines.
Professional Development Requirement	 All participants: Create a complete ECE Workforce Registry profile on the <u>caregistry.org</u> site. Meet with an advisor/mentor 4 times during the program year, including an advising session to complete/update a professional growth plan or education plan. FFN providers meet for an advising session 2 times during the program year. Completion of annual Keys to Quality Participant Survey.
CA Child Development Permit Stipend: \$100 stipend	
New/Upgraded Permit	 Participants must indicate an intent to apply for a permit on their Workforce Stipend Application. Permit applications must be submitted during the current program year, July 1, 2022 – May 31, 2023. Participant must provide documentation of application to Keys to Quality staff.
Workforce Stipend Component Requirements (choose one component)	
Family, Friend, & Neighbor Provider	• Completion of a minimum of 6 hours of approved state health & safety/child development training during the program year; \$150 stipend .
PD Pathway Component Completion of Approved Workshop/Training Pathway	Completion of an approved Workforce Stipend Professional Development Pathway during the program year; \$150 stipend.
AA Degree Component 6 units towards an AA degree	 Complete a minimum of 6 units leading to an Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education or Child Development or higher permit in the fall (July 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022) or spring (January 1, 2023 – May 31, 2023); \$500 stipend per semester.
BA Degree Component 6 units towards a BA degree	 Complete a minimum of 6 units leading to a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education or Child Development permit in the fall (July 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022) or spring (January 1, 2023 – May 31, 2023); \$1000 stipend per semester.
Applications	Available online at <u>caregistry.org</u> . Individuals should sign into the ECE Workforce Registry account, select Stipends & Pathways/Application and look for Yuba/Sutter/Colusa Keys to Quality. Due date Wednesday, November 30, 2022.
	Child Care Planning Council of Yuba & Sutter Counties at 749-4040;

^{*}Stipend amounts are subject to available funding.

PROJECT GUIDELINES

- Interested participants must meet all Eligibility Requirements;
- •The project will only provide incentives for approved trainings for those participants enrolled in the FFN and PD Pathway components.
- The project will only provide incentives for ECE/CD and general education units required to complete an ECE/CD degree or to qualify for a new/higher CA Child Development permit, completed with a passing grade, "C" or better. BA students must be enrolled in a BA program to qualify for the BA stipend.
- ECE units in excess of the required amount to obtain a degree and higher permit will not be eligible for reimbursement;
- Incentives will be awarded after completion of all Project Participation Requirements;
- Incentives will be distributed in one payment (June/July 2023) for FFN/PD Pathway participants; and two payments (January/February 2023 and June/July 2023) for participants completing coursework;
- Incentives can increase or decrease based on funding;
- Incentives are considered taxable income:
- It is the participant's responsibility to contact the Child Care Planning Council when questions arise.
- All participants must have a current W-9 form on file with Yuba County Office of Education, and it is the participant's responsibility to contact the Child Care Planning Council if there is a change to participation information including the participant's address.

For more information and questions call 749-4040 or email: tonya.byers@yubacoe.k12.ca.us

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