



CGACS

Early Education Teacher Credential

Entry Level

Education, Training, and Experience

- Valid 5 years (renewable)
- CDA, or other state issued staff credential
- Portfolio
- Formal Observation
- At least 480 hours of working in preschool program

Bible

Philosophy of Christian Education course

Renewal Requirements

15 clock hours of professional development annually beginning July 1 of each year

Intermediate Level

Education, Training, and Experience

- Valid 5 years (renewable)
- 2 year degree or
- 2 years of a 4 year program
- Minimum of 6 hours in early childhood education (birth to age 8)
- Minimum of one year working experience in preschool program

Bible

- Philosophy of Christian Education course
- 3 semester hours in Biblical studies from Bible College or University
- 10 CEUS
- Credentialed clergy from a recognized denomination may be exempt from this requirement.

Renewal Requirements

- 15 clock hours of professional development annually beginning July 1 of each year or
- Completion of college courses in early learning

Professional Level

Education, Training, and Experience

- Four-year or higher degree
- Minimum of twelve (12) hours of specific early childhood education (birth to age 8) to include areas of methods of instruction, growth and development, curriculum, health and safety.
- Minimum of one (1) year working with preschool program
- PEC/CET completion

Bible

- Philosophy of Christian education course
- 6 semester hours in Biblical studies from Bible College or University or
- 18 Continuing Education Units

Renewal Requirements

- 15 clock hours of professional development annually beginning July 1 of each year or
- Completion of college course in early learning or
- Completion of graduate level course in area of early learning