



CDA Training

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION



What is a CDA? The CDA is a competency-based credential awarded to individuals who work with children ages birth to 5 years. It is a nationally recognized credential that enhances careers in early care and education. The YWCA Child Care Resource and Referral offers training courses for three types of CDA: 1) Infant Toddler CDA, 2) Preschool CDA, and 3) Family Child Care CDA.

CDA Training Courses 1-9 (135 Hours) Class sizes, locations and schedules may vary

Phase 1

- CDA Course 1 - Professionalism - 15 Hours
- CDA Course 2 - Child Development & Learning - 15 Hours
- CDA Course 3 - Social & Emotional Development - 15 Hours
- CDA Course 4 - Safe & Healthy Learning - 15 Hours
- CDA Course 5 - Observing & Recording Child Behavior - 15 Hours
- CDA Course 6 - Advancing Physical & Intellectual Development - 15 Hours
- CDA Course 7 - Managing an Effective Program - 15 Hours
- CDA Course 8 - Productive Relationships with Families - 15 Hours
- CDA Course 9 - Professionalism - 15 Hours

CDA Exam and Classroom Observation

Phase 2

The YWCA Child Care Resource and Referral provides technical assistance for the national CDA Council exam and verification visit.

- Verification Visit - a specialist will meet with the student to review their professional portfolio and observe their CDA competency in the classroom
- CDA Exam - Students will have 1 hour and 45 minutes to complete a 65 question exam