

Child Care Quality Improvement Initiative A.S. Degree Scholarship Program



Objective: To increase the formal education and professionalism of individuals working in the early childhood care and education profession in Pinellas County. Research indicates that better educated teachers are more likely to stay in the profession thus reducing teacher turnover.

Description: The program provides tuition and book assistance, incentive stipends, and retention stipends to students interested in pursuing an A.S. Degree in Early Childhood Education.

Eligible Participants: Anyone working full-time (30 hours) in a licensed or licensed exempt facility in Pinellas County including family child care providers, and teachers working at pre-school centers and school age programs. Priority is given to teachers working at sites that have a School Readiness agreement with Coordinated Child Care of Pinellas, Inc. and are participating in the Quality Counts for Children program.

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