

Smart Solution Template

Professional Development Supplements – WAGE\$

The Child Care WAGE\$ (WAGE\$) Program is an education-based salary supplement program that will serve #Field 1 working in licensed childcare facilities and family childcare homes with children birth to 5 years old. This program is administered by Early Years. Eligibility requirements for WAGE\$ include: (1) An income cap of #Field 2, (2) Participants must care for children ages birth to 5 years old for at least 10 hours per week in a licensed child care program, and (3) The participants level of education must appear on the Child Care WAGE\$ supplement scale. WAGE\$ supplements are distributed by Early Years every 6 months. Participants are required to continue working in their childcare setting for at least 6 months and be employed at this same childcare program when funding is available, and a final confirmation has been completed to continue receiving supplements. Participants will receive support from counselors housed within the WAGE\$ agency to ensure ongoing, accurate supplements.

#Field 1

- Early Childhood Education Owners/Directors
- Early Childhood Education Teachers
- Early Education Owners/Directors and Early Childhood Education Teachers

#Field 2

- \$19 per hour
- \$23 per hour
- \$25 per hour