

Recruit and Train New Teachers

Early learning /child care provider **submits Attachment 2, ARPA Provider Eligibility Application**. When qualifications are met the Early Learning Educator and Provider complete **Attachment 1, ARPA Early Learning Educator/Director Bonus Application**, the following categories are eligible for these stipends/bonus.

- Early Learning Educators hired after 7/1/22 completing 120 hours of employment and background screening eligible for \$500 stipend.
- Early Learning Educators hired after 7/1/22 who complete DCF45 hours required health and safety training are eligible for a \$700 stipend.
- Teachers who complete CLASS Foundation trainings and My Teachstone videos will be eligible for a \$600 stipend. **ECS will pay for the training, provide CLASS Dictionary, and CLASS Strategy Cards to participants.**

Additionally, ECS will match each stipend above while funding lasts. Providers should check their emails to see when ECS will discontinue matching the Recruit and Train New Teachers stipends.

Training List for CLASS Foundation and My Teachstone video training.

PreK

CLASS® Foundation for Teachers Trainings (all 4 must be taken)

1. A CLASS® Primer for Teachers – online1 or facilitated1, 3 hours/0.3 CEUs
2. Emotional Support for Teachers – 6 hours virtual/0.6 CEUs
3. Classroom Organization for Teachers – 6 hours virtual/0.6 CEUs
4. Instructional Support for Teachers – 6 hours virtual/0.6 CEUs

MyTeachstone Learn About CLASS® Videos3 (all 10 must be taken, 15 mins each)

1. Learn about Positive Climate
2. Learn about Negative Climate
3. Learn about Teacher Sensitivity
4. Learn about Regard for Student Perspectives
5. Learn about Behavior Management
6. Learn about Productivity
7. Learn about Instructional Learning Formats
8. Learn about Concept Development
9. Learn about Quality of Feedback
10. Learn about Language Modeling

Infant/Toddler

CLASS® Foundation for Teachers Trainings (must complete a total of 21 hours)

1. A CLASS® Primer for Teachers – online or facilitated1, 3 hours/0.3 CEUs

2. Thinking & Thriving: Interactions for Early Learning¹ – 4 hours virtual facilitated/0.4 CEUs
3. CLASS[®] Support Kits for Infant/Toddler
 - Cognitive
 - Social Emotional
 - Transfer to Practice Webinar: Implementing the ideas in the support kits (2 hours per webinar, no CEUs)
4. Introduction to the CLASS[®] Tool Training²– Facilitated, 4.8 hours in person or virtual; requires participation kit
5. Responding with Developmentally Appropriate Practice (30 min.)
6. Your Favorite Teacher and CLASS[®] (15 min.)
7. Observing Children’s Cues (15 min.)
8. Nurturing Attachment with Teacher Sensitivity (20 min.)
9. Interactions at the Core: The Life-Changing Power of Interactions in any setting (60 min.)
10. Interactions at the Heart of Healing¹: Trauma-Informed Professional Development Series, virtual, (6 hrs./0.6 CEUs)

The modules listed in 5-10 are not specific to infants and toddler teachers and can also be taken by PreK teachers if needed.

MyTeachstone Learn About CLASS[®] Videos³ (all 12 must be taken, 15 mins each)

Infant

1. Learn about Relational Climate
2. Learn about Teacher Sensitivity
3. Learn about Facilitated Exploration
4. Learn about Early Language Support

Toddler

1. Learn about Positive Climate
 2. Learn about Negative Climate
 3. Learn about Teacher Sensitivity
 4. Learn about Regard for Child Perspectives
 5. Learn about Behavior Guidance
 6. Learn About Facilitation of Learning and Development
 7. Learn About Quality of Feedback
 8. Learn About Language Modeling
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Provider Eligibility

Sponsoring early learning/child care providers must meet each of the following eligibility criteria for its ELEs to apply for bonuses:

- Early learning/child care provider did not have a contract with the early learning coalition that was terminated, **and** eligibility revoked within the past five years; and
- Early learning/child care provider is not under investigation or has been convicted of child care fraud; and

Important: Applications must be submitted through the website links within the description documents or below. Provider supporting documentation must be uploaded at the appropriate ARPA application link within the Document Library of the portal. Please notify ECS when supporting documentation has been uploaded by emailing workforcegrants@ecs4kids.org

- Early learning/child care provider is not included on the Florida Child Care Food Program (CCFP) USDA Disqualified List; and
 - Early learning/child care provider submits an IRS Form W-9 for payment and direct deposit forms (as required by coalition), if not previously submitted.
 - Programs are physically located in Baker, Bradford, Clay, Nassau, Putnam, or St. Johns Counties.
 - Documentation of completion must be provided to the ELCs, along with Attachments 1, *ARPA Bonus Application*, for payment:
 - For Health and Safety and CLASS® bonuses, certificates of completion for applicable trainings
 - Early learning/child care providers submit Attachment 2, *ARPA Provider Eligibility Application*, for all bonuses. All applications must be submitted by July 15, 2023, unless otherwise notified by DEL. ELEs may submit one application for all eligible bonuses or separate applications as needed. ECS may establish additional processes/forms from ELEs and/or early learning/child care providers before issuing payments to meet local needs.
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