

# Free College Degree

Are you looking for an employer that will invest in you?

We're creating opportunities for people to earn degrees, build skills and advance their careers. If you have a high school diploma or a GED, you're eligible to work in our early learning and school-age care programs and take classes toward a degree

**Teaching Leading Coaching LLC** has a great opportunity for your staff starting this July. We have been funded by PHMC to offer a **LIVE virtual CDA class** on ZOOM- join a cohort today and jumpstart your career.

We have completed 12 CDA cohorts of the **TLC "Grow Your Own" CDA** mentoring model (most have their credential in hand in hand within 4 weeks of course completion) and we are currently preparing to have 2 more cohorts up and running within a few weeks and I wanted to reach out to you and let you know that we have space available. The spots are available on a first come first serve basis. It is better to get any registration in sooner rather than later (registration form found below).

If you have any teaching staff that may be interested in obtaining the CDA credential, our model is a hybrid of interactive LIVE VIRTUAL classes and the individuals program supported ON THE JOB COACHING. We are using a mentorship model, so that CDA students can work/be mentored by a designated mentor/coach(es) *from within your program*. We know programs involved in STARS are already providing coaching and mentoring supports to their staff for continuous quality improvement, we help you embed CDA content. Our objective is to not only help a person receive the CDA credential, but to immediately put into practice what is discussed during online classes. While the candidate is discussing child development and related topics in the CDA virtual class, this information is brought back to the programs and generates more discussion and practice on a larger scale.

- **Details:**
- This registration will have a very quick turnaround time. Class meets virtually on ZOOM weekly on a weeknight from 6-9pm, with an Orientation session prior to start.
- Cost to participant is \$100 registration fee
- Order the CDA assessment book (\$25 each individual orders from the cda council [Self Serve Portal \(yourcouncil.org\)](https://yourcouncil.org) )
- PHMC covers the tuition for each person
- PAKeys has vouchers to cover the costs of the \$425 assessment fee. Each individual will request a voucher at the completion of the class, assistance is provided.
- For information on CDA see [Council for Professional Recognition \(cdacouncil.org\)](https://cdacouncil.org)

**Registration form/link below:**

[CDA Registration @ Teaching Leading Coaching, LLC](#)

**Why a mentoring model for CDA instruction:**

Since this model uses the quality improvement processes that each center already has in place, and the centers identify a mentor/coach(es) within their program this helps the CDA candidate implement theories that they are learning about during the online zoom classes. By using a mentor approach we can maximize the teachers time in the classroom practicing specific skills, while supplementing with master instruction. This enables teachers opportunities to practice specific areas of need, refine skills they already have, and support each program to create a "grow your own" CDA model to help ensure that whenever a new staff or volunteer becomes a part of the program, CDA supports are already in place.

TEACH program – Take classes, get paid release time to complete homework and help with tuition and books through this program that will pay for your CDA, associate's or bachelor's degree. While it takes a little longer to finish a degree, you can graduate debt free. You become eligible for funding after one year of employment. Additional program details are available at <https://www.pacca.org/teach.php>