

**Education and Training Requirements for Family Child Care Providers**

A family child care provider shall have one of the following:

1. At least thirty clock hours of documented training in early childhood education or related field.
2. Two years of college training verified by a transcript including two courses in child development. Two years of training shall be sixty semester or ninety quarter hours from an accredited college, university or technical college. Two courses shall be six semester hours or nine quarter hours from an accredited college, university or technical college.
3. A currently valid child development associate (CDA) credential issued by the national child development associate credentialing commission. In order to remain as the licensed provider, the CDA credential must be currently valid. Additional information on the CDA process may be obtained at <http://www.cdacouncil.org/>.
4. Completion of a two year vocational child care training program approved by the state board of education verified by a transcript or diploma.
5. A pre-kindergarten associate certificate that is issued by the state board of education.
6. A Montessori preprimary/early childhood credential from the American Montessori society, association of Montessori international, national center for Montessori education, or other Montessori program accredited by the Montessori accreditation council for teacher education.
7. At least twelve months experience in caring for children twelve years or younger. Parenthood may be used to meet this requirement.
8. Designation as a career pathways level one.