

Franklin County RISE Educator Awards Guidance Document March 7, 2025 (updated)

Franklin County RISE is proud to support early childhood educators with the 2025 Educator Awards, recognizing their dedication to professional growth and excellence. A total of \$100,000 will be awarded to educators who attain a Child Development Associate (CDA) credential or an associate's degree (AA) in early childhood education between December 1, 2024, and October 31, 2025.

## **Award Levels**

Child Development Associate (CDA): \$1,000

Early Childhood associate's degree (AA): \$1,500

## **Verification**

All applicants must have their education verified in their Ohio Professional Registry (OPR) profile. Visit occrra.org to learn how to update your registry profile. All applicants must verify their employment at a licensed Franklin County Child Care. If you are an employee of a licensed childcare provider, attach your most recent pay stub. For Family Child Care providers, please attach a copy of your active license.

The application will open on March 7, 2025 by 5 pm and will remain open until November 15, 2025—don't miss this opportunity to be rewarded for your hard work and commitment to the field!