



Applying for TEACH Step-by-Step CDA Scholarships



Step #1: Applying to TEACH

You will need to complete a TEACH application in its entirety (included). In order to apply for a TEACH Scholarship, you will have to attend a community college that participates with the TEACH program. (This list is available at www.nebraskaaeyc.org. Click on the "TEACH Early Childhood®" link on the left-hand side.) Determine which participating community college you want to attend and include it on your application. **If at any time during the application process you have questions, please contact the TEACH Scholarship Counselor at 402-858-5143 or teach@nebraskaaeyc.org.**

Step #2: Wait for Confirmation

It takes approximately 4-6 weeks for us to process your application and make a determination of your eligibility. While you are waiting, you may wish to research CDA courses at the participating community college you have chosen. TEACH will only pay for coursework for the CDA.

Step #3: Approval

Once all materials have been received and approved, you will get an award call from the TEACH Scholarship Counselor. This award call will include details about your scholarship award and provide guidance on what you will need to do next. Some of the items of discussion will be what forms to fill out, how to charge books, and how to pay for tuition. Please note that TEACH cannot pay for any classes that have already been started.

Step #4: Applying to a Community College

Complete the application process at the participating community college that you have chosen. TEACH does not reimburse for application or admission fees.

Step #5: Apply for Federal Financial Aid

You must complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), which can be found at www.studentaid.gov. Submit a copy of your confirmation or award letter to verify completion of your FAFSA application. Receiving financial aid does not disqualify you from receiving a scholarship from TEACH Early Childhood® Nebraska.