



## 2016-17 Early Achievers Scholarship Summary

Early Achievers Grants (EAG)	Bachelor's Degree Pathway Scholarship
<p>Supports students pursuing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ An associate's degree (ECE)</li> <li>○ An Early Childhood Education (ECE) Stackable Certificate</li> </ul> <p>Scholarship covers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Full tuition through the ECE associate's degree (amount varies based on the number of credits the student enrolls in)</li> <li>○ Books and instructional materials (up to \$2,000 per associate's degree)</li> <li>○ Academic advising, career planning, student mentoring, tutoring</li> </ul> <p>Applications available through participating Washington community and technical colleges.</p>	<p>Supports students pursuing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education or similar approved fields</li> <li>○ Montessori Credential at a MACTE approved academy</li> </ul> <p>Scholarship covers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Up to \$9,000 per year for tuition</li> <li>○ \$500 per year for books</li> <li>○ Professional development navigation support</li> </ul> <p>Support may be available for students working on a Child Development Associate (CDA) credential or pre-bachelor's degree coursework. Applications available through Child Care Aware of Washington.</p>
<b>I am a current scholarship recipient, now what?</b>	
<p>Current EAG scholarship recipients will continue to receive EAG support within the guidelines of the grant program. Students should work with their college about EAG funding questions.</p>	<p>General Scholarship recipients will continue to receive support for the duration of their current contract. Before the contract ends, the Child Care Aware of Washington scholarship team will connect scholars to the appropriate Point of Contact to help with next steps.</p>
<b>What certificate or degree is best for me?</b>	
<p>For more information about educational programs and career options in early learning, please visit the Early Childhood Education Career Planning Portal at <a href="http://ececareers.del.wa.gov">http://ececareers.del.wa.gov</a>.</p>	
Early Achievers Grant Contact Information	Bachelor's Degree Pathway Scholarship Contact Information
<p>Contact your local community college. For an overview of the Stackable Certificates and a list of all community college Points of Contact with their email address and phone number, visit <a href="http://del.wa.gov/stackablecertificates">http://del.wa.gov/stackablecertificates</a>.</p>	<p>This scholarship program is administered by Child Care Aware of Washington. To find out more, visit <a href="http://wa.childcareaware.org/providers/scholarships/our-scholarships">http://wa.childcareaware.org/providers/scholarships/our-scholarships</a> Or contact <a href="mailto:scholarships@wa.childcareaware.org">scholarships@wa.childcareaware.org</a> 866-308-3224.</p>