

# JOINING THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CORPS AA DEGREE PROGRAM: STIPEND LEVELS, ELIGIBILITY & ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS

#### STIPEND LEVELS

Permit Level	Yearly Stipend Award
Entry Level: no Permit if less than 6 ECE Units	\$650.00
Assistant Teacher	\$900.00
Associate Teacher	\$1,100.00
Teacher	\$1,400.00
Master Teacher	\$1,600.00

Participants also receive a \$100 college bookstore gift card and 1-year membership to the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)

### **Achievement Stipend**

One-time AA Degree or equivalent* Achievement Stipend	\$2,500
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After your first year in the program, you may be eligible to earn up \$600 extra for completing additional units.

#### **PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY**

You are eligible for the Corps AA Degree Program if:

- You currently work at least 15 hours per week with children birth to pre-kindergarten or in an eligible
   AB212 school-age program in Alameda County (AB212 programs are listed on page 2)
- You have worked at the same program for at least 9 months when you enroll in the Corps AA Degree Program
- You have at least 6 ECE units and a valid Child Development Permit. If you have less than 6 ECE units, a permit is not required.
- You do NOT have an AA degree or the equivalent in ECE or a related field or have not completed transferable college coursework.<sup>1</sup>

### **AB 212 SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS**

Ala-Costa Center	Hayward Unified School District	YMCA of the East Bay (only selected sites below. Not all YMCA of the East Bay sites are eligible.) Applicants
Alameda Unified School District	Livermore Area Recreation & Park District	must work at one of the following locations:  • Alameda Coast Guard, Alameda
Albany Child Care Center	Newark Unified School District	EDEN YMCA State Preschool, Hayward
ВАНІА	Oakland Unified School District	<ul> <li>Washington-Alameda Y-Kids, Alameda</li> </ul>
Berkeley Unified School District	Rose St. Community Center	<ul> <li>Castro Valley Y-Kids, Castro Valley</li> </ul>
Davis Street Community Center	Seneca Resident & Day Treatment Center	<ul><li>Haight Y-Kids, Alameda</li><li>Hoover Y-Kids, Oakland</li></ul>
Ephesian Children's Center	UC Berkeley	

<sup>\*</sup>Achievement stipends are awarded to Corps AA Degree Program participants when you get your AA degree or reach the program equivalent. You may also be eligible if you are transferring to a four-year college for a BA degree in ECE.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Contact a Professional Development Coordinator if you have questions about your eligibility status.

## **ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS**

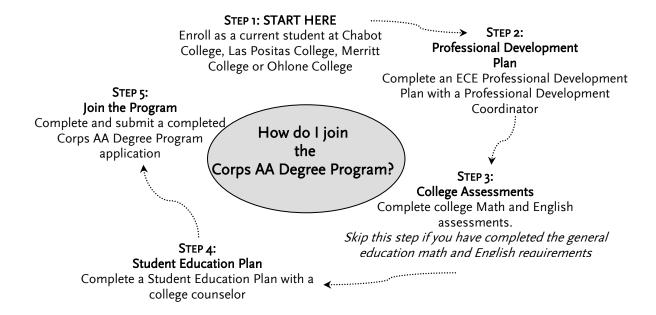
Before applying to the Corps AA Degree Program you must complete the following enrollment requirements. If you have met any of the following requirements, you do NOT need to repeat them.

- Enroll as a current student at Chabot College, Las Positas College, Merritt College or Ohlone College (you do not have to take classes yet)
- Meet with a Professional Development Coordinator (PDC) to determine your eligibility status and develop an ECE Professional Development Plan<sup>2</sup>
- Take the Math and English assessments at the college unless you have completed the math and English general education requirements
- Meet with an Academic Counselor to develop a Student Education Plan<sup>2</sup>. This plan includes specific courses needed to earn an AA Degree or meet other program requirements

After you have met all enrollment requirements, complete the Corps AA Degree Program application and make an appointment with the PDC at your college to join the program.

## STEPS TO JOIN THE CORPS

If you meet all of the Program Eligibility Requirements listed on page 1, follow these steps to join the Corps AA Degree Program:



Contact your Professional Development Coordinator for help completing the requirements and steps. Contact information is on the attached resource sheet.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Student Education Plan and ECE Professional Development plan must have been developed or updated within the last 24 months.