

## How to apply

To receive an application, contact your college campus Financial Aid Office or Early Childhood Education / Child Development Department, or the:

California Student Aid Commission  
Attn: Child Development Grant Program  
P.O. Box 419029  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95741-9029

Phone: (888) 224-7268 #3  
Fax: (916) 526-7977

## Further information?

You may access the Commission's website for further information on this and other financial aid programs:  
[www.csac.ca.gov](http://www.csac.ca.gov)



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### **What is the Child Development Grant Program?**

The Child Development Grant Program (Program) is administered by the California Student Aid Commission (Commission). The Program is designed for students who are attending a California community college or four-year institution, and pursuing a Child Development Permit (Permit) to teach or supervise in licensed children's centers.

Permits are issued by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) in one of the following levels:

- ~ Teacher
- ~ Site Supervisor
- ~ Master Teacher
- ~ Program Director

Selected recipients attending a California community college are eligible to receive up to \$1,000 each academic year; recipients attending a four-year institution are eligible to receive up to \$2,000 each academic year. Once selected, you must maintain half-time enrollment, satisfactory academic progress, financial need, and intend to pursue an approved course of study leading to a Permit. Prior to receiving an award payment, you must sign a Service Commitment Agreement to provide one full year of service in a licensed children's center for every year you receive a grant.

The grant may be renewed for a maximum of one additional year. Contact the Commission for additional information.

### **In general, what do I need to apply?**

- ~ Be a U.S. citizen or an eligible noncitizen.
- ~ Be a California resident.
- ~ Demonstrate financial need as defined by the Commission.
- ~ Meet federal Selective Service filing requirements.
- ~ Be nominated by an eligible postsecondary institution or by their employing agency. The employing agency must hold an approved waiver of staffing qualifications on behalf of the applicant.

### **How will I know if I'm selected?**

The Commission selects grant recipients on the basis of demonstrated financial need and academic achievement. All applications are reviewed and applicants are notified of their award status prior to the fall term.

### **How will I receive my benefits?**

Grant funds will be prorated by academic term and disbursed through the institution's financial aid office. Receipt of this grant may affect other financial aid awards.

### **Reminders**

To receive your grant, you must:

- ~ Maintain at least half-time enrollment in an approved course of study leading to a Permit.
- ~ Maintain satisfactory academic progress as defined by your institution.
- ~ Commit to one year of full-time employment in a licensed California children's center for each year of benefits.



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