



The PAEYC Early Childhood Scholarship Application

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Panhandle Association for the Education of Young Children has established a scholarship program to promote educational attainment and professional development for those in the early childhood education field. The scholarship program is managed by the Scholarship Committee of PAEYC, and is funded and operated at the discretion of the PAEYC Board. PAEYC is a nonprofit affiliation of early childhood professionals serving the Texas Panhandle.

Purpose of the Scholarship

1. To promote high levels of formal education in early childhood education/child development among early childhood practitioners (including teachers and administrators);
2. To increase the number of early childhood professionals who hold early childhood education/child development credentials including CDA's; specialized early childhood certificates, Associate's, Bachelor's and Master's degrees, and
3. To increase accessibility to credentialing coursework for early childhood professionals.

Award \$1,000 per academic year (\$500 per semester) for tuition, books, and educational expenses or related cost of living expenses (transportation, etc.) for education; plus

A one-year student membership in NAEYC/PAEYC (value \$90). Recipient will be contacted by the PAEYC membership chair, who will assist with the membership application process; and

Free Registration for 2 of the 3 annual PAEYC Conferences (value \$50)

Total Annual Value \$1,140

Application Deadline June 20, 2010

Award Notification Date August 1, 2010

Submit Application to:

PAEYC Scholarship Committee
P. O. Box 8813
Amarillo, Texas 79114

Applications must be postmarked by the application deadline

Eligibility

Recipients must meet the following criteria:

- Must be a resident of the Texas Panhandle (the area served by PAEYC).
- Must be working towards a certificate or credential in early childhood education field, and once enrolled, must major in Early Childhood Education/Child Development or closely related field (Education, General Studies with Early Childhood Emphasis, etc.).
- Awards will be based on both financial need and merit. Additional consideration will be given to applicants who hold membership in PAEYC; however, if the recipient is not a member, membership will be provided as part of the scholarship award.
- Student must maintain a minimum of 2.0 GPA and not be on academic probation.
- Must be willing to serve on a PAEYC committee and/or assist the chapter in its activities the year, and be willing to share experiences with other early childhood professionals during conference luncheons or other gatherings to encourage them to pursue their own educational goals.
- If recipient fails to attend class, drops class, or fails to complete the semester after award has been made, the recipient must pay all scholarship money received back to PAEYC, and such failure to complete the semester will affect eligibility for future awards.

Application Process

Please complete all information requested in this application. In addition, please attach:

A valid college transcript showing most recently completed coursework

A 200 word narrative describing your educational and professional goals, and any accomplishments or volunteer activities in the early childhood field. Where do you envision yourself in your career and educational attainment in one year? In five years?

Letters of recommendation are permitted but not required. Must be submitted by the deadline above.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Last Name		First	M.I.	Date
Mailing Address			Apartment/Unit #	
City		State	ZIP	
Daytime Phone		E-mail Address		
Alternate Phone		Social Security #		Gender <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Birth Date: ____/____/____ US Citizen <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Marital Status <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Married				
College attending in the upcoming educational year				# Hours will be taking
Course title(s) and number(s)				
Major Field of Study				
Educational Credential Currently Pursuing				

EDUCATION

High School Attended		City & State		
Date Graduated (Mo/Yr)		Date Received GED (Mo/Yr)		
College		City & State		
From	To	Did you graduate? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Degree	
Other		City & State		
From	To	Did you graduate? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Degree	
Honors/Awards (attach additional sheet if needed): _____				
Community Involvement/Extracurricular Achievements (please attach a separate sheet)				

Attach valid recent college transcript (if no college completed, attach copy of High School Diploma or GED).

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION WORK EXPERIENCE (LIST MOST RECENT OR CURRENT FIRST)

Center/School Name		Position		
Years	From _____	To _____	Phone ()	
Address			Supervisor	
Center/School Name		Position		
Years	From _____	To _____	Phone ()	
Address			Supervisor	
Center/School Name		Position		
Years	From _____	To _____	Phone ()	
Address			Supervisor	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Please complete all of the following information fully, since the scholarship committee will consider financial need when making scholarship awards.

Will you be employed while attending school? YES NO If yes, complete the company, position, hours and wage information below.

Company

Position

Hours worked per week

Monthly Salary \$

Hourly Pay \$

Have you applied for Federal Financial Aid? YES NO

If no, please see www.fafsa.ed.gov. All applicants are strongly encouraged, if eligible, to seek federal financial aid. This will be a consideration in scholarship awards.
If you are not eligible for Federal Financial Aid, check here.

Check which one of the following best describes your position in your household

Married or Head of Household

Living with Parents/Guardians

Number of people in your household:

List other people who live in your household other than yourself (ex: Marc - brother; Christy - daughter, etc.).

Names/Relationship:

List Annual Income of **all adults in household including yourself (include wages, child support, income from all sources)**

Name

Annual Income \$

Name

Annual Income \$

Name

Annual Income \$

Name

Annual Income \$

Name

Annual Income \$

Total Annual Household Income

CERTIFICATION

By my signature, I agree to the following:

- The information contained in this scholarship application is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- I authorize PAEYC to verify information contained in this application and grade information from the college/educational program attended.
- I will maintain satisfactory academic progress and uphold all responsibilities included in the scholarship criteria.
- If selected, I authorize PAEYC to use my name and/or photo in media releases, newsletters, or other promotional materials.

Signature

Date