



Grant Assistance Program
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**ONTARIO'S
EARLY CHILDHOOD
EDUCATORS**

**QUALIFICATIONS UPGRADE DIPLOMA
& LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATION**

Leadership Certification Grant

The Leadership Certification program provides financial assistance to Supervisors, front line registered Early Childhood Educators (RECE) designated to leadership positions, and to RECEs aspiring to become Supervisors in the field of Early Childhood Education. The main objective is to fund professional development opportunities in the areas of Pedagogical Leadership, Early Childhood Education administration, management, facilities management, fiscal responsibility, governance, human resources, employment standards, and labour relations.

Education Grants

Leadership education grants are available to cover part-time tuition fees related to courses offered through a recognized Ontario College for Applied Arts and Technology, in an eligible field of study.

In order to be eligible to receive funds under the Leadership education grant, an individual must:

Be employed as an RECE for a minimum of two years within:

- Licensed Child Care Centres
- Licensed Home Child Care
- Unlicensed Home Child Care
- Formal early learning settings, which include:
 - School Boards
 - Early ON Child and Family Centres
 - Head Start programs
 - Private schools
 - Other formal early learning child care, child and family programs, special needs resourcing agencies or school curriculum-linked programs

AND

Be enrolled to pursue courses through a recognized Ontario College for Applied Arts and Technology for **part-time** studies in an eligible field of study, which include:

- Pedagogical leadership in Early Childhood Education
- Early Childhood Education administration and management
- Facilities management
- Financial management, responsibility and child care governance
- Human resources, employment standards and labour relations
- Be living and working in Ontario

NOTE: The following individuals are exempt from the required two years of employment however must be currently employed within an eligible agency:

- Francophone
- First Nation, Métis and Inuit Individuals
- Those with a Director Approval status from the Ministry of Education or those working under a letter of permission from a school board



Travel Grants

Travel Grants are available to assist students with daily commute expenses while attending classes, first aid training, and/or completing the placement component of their program.

Leadership travel grants are available up to a maximum of \$800.00 per semester, to assist Leadership grant recipients travel to a maximum of 14 days per course.

In order to be eligible to receive funds under the grant program, the following need apply:

- Applicants must be approved for a Leadership Education grant under this program.
- The educational institution must be more than 20 kilometres one-way from the applicant's home address.

