



EARLY CHILDHOOD
RESOURCE CENTER

A Ministry of the Sisters of Charity Health System

CHILD DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE



2026-2027 SCHEDULE

SUMMIT COUNTY - HYBRID CLASS

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!

Space is limited | Starting August 12, 2026

◆ In-Person Course Location

Early Childhood Resource Center

915 North Main St.

Akron, OH 44310

◆ Virtual Platforms Used

ZOOM & Google Classroom

◆ Requirement

Must have reliable internet access and a computer/tablet with working video and audio.

◆ Time

Wednesdays, plus one (1) Tuesday a month;
Evenings from 5:30 pm - 8 pm

◆ Credit Available

Ohio Approved hours

DCY In-Service

TOP 5 REASONS

to enroll in the Early Childhood Resource Center's CDA classes

Finish classes in approximately 9 months using a combination of in-person and virtual.

Eight courses provide you with the required training to apply for your credential. Take all eight, or choose just the courses you need.

Scholarships are available for DCY programs serving publicly funded children in Mahoning, Medina, Portage, Stark, Summit, and Trumbull counties. The only fee is \$100 out of pocket per student. Private pay options are available, too.

Great peer-to-peer networking opportunity for family child care providers.

A CDA credential will increase your Career Pathway Level (CPL), helping you achieve a Step Up To Quality (SUTQ) high-quality rating.

Ready to enroll? Contact Jenna 330.491.3272 | jgraves@ecresourcecenter.org

CDA CLASS SCHEDULE – SUMMIT COUNTY

Course 1: Safe, Healthy Learning Environments

Date	Class	In-Person or Virtual
8/12/2026	CDA Orientation	In-Person
8/19/2026	Establishing Safe Environments	Virtual
8/26/2026	Healthy Habits	In-Person
9/2/2026	Sanitary Environment	Virtual
9/8/2026 (Tuesday)	Diapering, Toileting, Sleep Habits	Virtual
9/9/2026	DAP Learning Environment I/T	In-Person
9/16/2026	DAP Learning Environment Preschool	Virtual

Course 2: Child Development & Learning

Date	Class	In-Person or Virtual
9/23/2026	History of ECE	In-Person
9/30/2026	Child Development Prenatal-2	Virtual
10/7/2026	Child Development Ages 2-3	In-Person
10/13/2026 (Tuesday)	Child Development Ages 4-5	Virtual
10/14/2026	Inclusion and Special Needs	In-Person
10/21/2026	Developmentally Appropriate Practice	Virtual

Course 3: Physical & Intellectual Development

Date	Class	In-Person or Virtual
10/28/2026	Supporting Learning Across all Domains	In-Person
11/4/2026	Writing Goals & Objectives	Virtual
11/10/2026 (Tuesday)	Physical Activity: Fine & Gross Motor	Virtual
11/11/2026	Language/Communication/Literacy	In-Person
11/18/2026	Cognitive Development: Science, Math & SS	Virtual
11/24/2026 (Tuesday)	Creative Arts	In-Person

Course 4: Social Emotional Development

Date	Class	In-Person or Virtual
12/2/2026	Secure Attachments & Temperaments	Virtual
12/9/2026	Positive Guidance & Pro Social Behaviors	In-Person
12/15/2026 (Tuesday)	Understanding DAP Behaviors	Virtual
12/16/2026	Promoting Sense of Self	In-Person
1/6/2027	Stages of Play & Transitions	Virtual
1/13/2027	Portfolio Class	In-Person

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Course 5: Observing & Recording

Date	Class	In-Person or Virtual
1/20/2027	Introduction to Observations	Virtual
1/26/2027 (Tuesday)	Observing with a Purpose	Virtual
1/27/2027	Planning for Individual Children	In-Person
2/3/2027	Assessments, Observations & ELDS	Virtual
2/10/2027	Sharing Observations & Assessments with Families	In-Person
2/17/2027	Strategies for Observing	Virtual

Course 6: Establishing Family Relationships

Date	Class	In-Person or Virtual
2/23/2027 (Tuesday)	Family Partnerships	In-Person
2/24/2027	Ethnicity & Culture	Virtual
3/3/2027	Communication with Families	In-Person
3/10/2027	Supporting Families Needs	Virtual
3/17/2027	Portfolio Class	In-Person
3/24/2027	Writing a Parent Handbook	Virtual

Course 7: Program Management

Date	Class	In-Person or Virtual
3/31/2027	Assuring a Smooth-Running Classroom	In-Person
4/7/2027	Collaborations with Families and Community	Virtual
4/13/2027 (Tuesday)	Lesson Planning	In-Person
4/14/2027	DAP Schedules & Routines	Virtual
4/21/2027	Portfolio Class	In-Person
4/28/2027	Record Keeping & Organization	Virtual

Course 8: Professionalism

Date	Class	In-Person or Virtual
5/5/2027	Professionalism	In-Person
5/11/2027 (Tuesday)	Your Role as an ECE Professional	Virtual
5/12/2027	State Licensing Rules for Administrators and Staff	In-Person
5/19/2027	Building Your Career	Virtual
5/26/2027	Review of Verification Visit	In-Person
6/2/2027	CDA Last Steps	In-Person

Child Development Associate Training Registration Form

Please review ECRC CDA/Scholarship cancellation and attendance policies on our website!

Student Information

First Name _____

Last Name _____

Employer _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Email Address _____

Phone Number _____

County _____ OPIN# _____

Which class are you
registering for?

What type of CDA are you pursuing?

☐ Birth/5years ☐ Infant/Toddler ☐ Preschool ☐ Family Child Care

What are you registering for?

Registration Type	Cost	Total
Full CDA Program (Modules 1-8)	\$720 *\$100 Reg. Fee	
Select Module(s) (circle): 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	\$90/Module *\$100 Reg. Fee	
CDA Scholarship: Form needs submitted with registration form. If your fee is waived, please indicate at registration.	*\$100 Reg. Fee	
	Total Due	

* Would you like to request a learning accommodation form? No Yes (if yes, one will be sent to the email you provided by the instructor)

* Have you taken CDA classes before? No Yes (if yes, where & when? _____)

* Have you received your CDA credential in the past? No Yes (if yes, when? _____)

Credit Card Payment Information

Payment Type: Check____ Cash____ Credit Card____ (+ processing fee) Invoice____ ECRC Scholarship____

Cardholder's Name _____

Cardholder's Billing
Address _____

Credit card # _____ Exp. Date _____ CCV Code (3-4) _____

Cardholder's
Signature _____

***This registration fee is non-refundable**