The TECTA Career Lattice: A Format for Early Childhood Professional Development

Professional development, also known as continuing education, should be an essential component of your career growth and plan. As with your other life goals, it is recommended that you develop a personalized action plan designed to help you achieve your goals.

After you determine which path you want to follow, or if you need help choosing a path, call or visit your local TECTA office for more information about how to get started.

### CDA Preparation Courses

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### Earn a TECTA Certificate of Completion

**TECTA Orientation** is the “gateway” to the Child Development Associate (CDA) preparation and degrees in early childhood. Choose from five specializations: Administrator, Center-Based, Infant/Toddler, School Age, and Family Child Care.

**When thinking about your career goals, ask yourself these questions:**

- How can I improve or strengthen my work performance?
- What are the key areas I want or need to develop to remain skilled in my profession?
- What are new skills and knowledge I will need in the future?

**Technical Certificate**

Students who received their CDA Credential through TECTA are 10 – 12 more credits closer to earning an Early Childhood Education Technical Certificate, at the same time receiving necessary credits for CDA renewal.

**Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential**

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**TECTA provides its program participants with assistance during the documentation and assessment process of completing the credential requirements. As funds are available, TECTA provides scholarship assistance for the $325.00 CDA Application Assessment fee.**

**Earn degrees in Early Childhood-related fields with support from TECTA**

- **Bachelors’ Degrees**
  - B.S., B.A.
- **Associates’ Degrees**
  - A.S., A.A., A.A.S.
- **Graduate Degrees**
  - M.S., M.Ed.
  - Ph.D., Ed.D.

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