

Dear Applicant for the Anchorage AEYC Early Childhood Scholarship,

Attached you will find an application for the Anchorage AEYC Early Childhood Scholarship for Early Childhood Education degrees, certificates, and conferences. These scholarships are offered to assist early childhood educators and providers who are pursuing a degree or certificate in Early Childhood in the state of Alaska as well as to providers who wish to attend any early childhood conference either in Alaska or out of state.

Degrees or certificates include:

- a. Child Development Associate (CDA)
- b. Undergraduate certificate
- c. Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood (AAS)
- d. Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood (BAEC)
- e. Any advanced degree in Early Childhood (Masters or PhD) or
- f. Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Early Childhood (PreK-3rd grade Teacher Certification)

Selection criteria includes successful completion of the application, transcripts or letter of acceptance, resume, 2 letters of recommendation, interview, and current membership in Anchorage AEYC. The application is due: June 30 and November 30

Assistance for conferences includes:

- a. Conference registration fees
- b. Housing
- c. Airfare/transportation

Selection criteria includes successful completion of the application, proposed budget for the conference, 2 letters of recommendation, interview and current membership in Anchorage AEYC. The application is due: June 30 and November 30

Please complete the application and supporting documentation and submit to the following address:

Anchorage AEYC, PO Box 201301, Anchorage, Alaska, 99520

Thank you for your interest in this scholarship opportunity and your important work with young children and families.

Questions and assistance in completing the application should be addressed to Jennifer Edwards-Fahl, Anchorage AEYC Scholarship Chair, at Edwards-Fahl\_jennifer@asdk12.org

Sincerely, Jennifer Edwards-Fahl Anchorage AEYC Scholarship Chair



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# The Anchorage AEYC Early Childhood Education Scholarship Application Form

Part I: Applicant Information ** Anchorage AEYC membership required for eligibility. **
Name: Email:
Mailing Address:
City: Zip: (Must be an Alaskan resident)
Telephone Number: Cell:
<b>Degree/Certificate Scholarship Information</b> (To be completed by those pursuing a degree or certificate in Early Childhood in the state of Alaska who are seeking scholarship.)
Type of degree or certificate you are seeking:
Institution you are attending (or planning to attend):
Current GPA (if applicable): Expected Graduation Date:
Amount you are requesting: \$
Have you applied for any other scholarships or tuition assistance?
If yes, please list:
<u>Conference Scholarship Information</u> (To be completed by individual seeking conference scholarship.)
Title and location of conference you wish to attend:
Conference Date: (Note: Must be attended within 12 months of applying.)
Expected Registration Fee cost: \$ Expected Lodging costs: \$
Expected Airfare/transportation costs: \$
Total amount you are requesting: \$
Have you already applied for (or will you apply for) any other scholarships or tuition assistance?
If yes, please list:



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# Part II: Essay, Resume, Letters of Recommendations

Please submit the following:

- a. 250-500 word essay describing your early childhood experience, community work and either why you want to continue your education or why you want to attend the above-named conference.
- b. A current resume that includes experience with young children, past educational experiences, and your future goals.
- c. Two letters of recommendation from a faculty advisor, supervisor, or other professional mentor in the field of Early Childhood.

### Stage One:

- Submit complete packet with the above information by June 30<sup>th</sup> or November 30<sup>th</sup> to: Anchorage AEYC, PO Box 201301 Anchorage, Alaska 99520-1301
- The application packets will be evaluated by the Anchorage AEYC Scholarship committee.
- Scholarship candidates will be notified for an interview after the Stage One review.

Stage Two:

• Scholarship candidates will be interviewed.

# Stage Three:

• Scholarship candidates will be notified by the Anchorage AEYC Scholarship committee.

Stage Four:

- Scholarship recipients are expected to do one or more of the following tasks:
  - Write up a brief summary of the course/courses you attended for the Anchorage AEYC website and to be included in the final Conference Program. Please include photos of yourself and/or experience.
  - Volunteer time to the Anchorage AEYC organization. Minimum 1 hour.
  - Give a small presentation at an Anchorage AEYC Board meeting (3-5 minutes verbal summary of the conference, poster board display, etc.).

# Stage Five:

The AAEYC Early Childhood Education Scholarship is made possible partly through funding from the Porterfield/Friedman Family Fund established at the Alaska Community Foundation. Alaska Community Foundations ask that recipients send a Thank You to the donor.



• Scholarship recipients will write a Thank You letter stating how the scholarship impacted you.

Address letter to: The Porterfield/Friedman Family Fund c/o Jeff Friedman 6835 N 11<sup>th</sup> Street Tacoma, WA 98406

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