

Sponsoring Staff in TEACH

FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EMPLOYERS

Sponsoring Staff in TEACH Helps Employers:

- > Retain more educated and professional teachers
- Meet quality standards for Keystone STARS
- > Recruit new staff
- > Increase program marketability

TEACH Provides Counselors to:

- > Help employers manage sponsorship logistics
- Support staff in balancing work, college and family responsibilities

Sponsoring Employers are Required to:

- > Pay 5% of tuition and fees each semester (\$40-\$80 per course)
- > Provide paid release time (reimbursed by TEACH)
- > Issue bonus or raise (typically \$600 or 4%) after completion of each scholarship year. (Compensation varies by model; see applications for details)

To Identify TEACH Applicants, Consider:

- > Number of staff the budget will allow
- Length of employment, position and staff education requirements
- > Timeline for staff person to complete degree

Other Recommendations:

- > **Develop** internal policies for staff eligibility and participation
- See "Making TEACH Release Time Work for You" for tips on how to manage this component
- Contact a TEACH Counselor at teachinfo@pacca.org for more support

TEACH not only supports early childhood professionals to advance their education and increase compensation, but it also helps employers recruit and retain more qualified staff.

SPONSORING EMPLOYERS REPORT

95% retention rates for their TEACH scholars.



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