



EARLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION OF FLORIDA

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The State Affiliate for SECA and NAEYC

ECA of FL ANNUAL CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The purpose of this scholarship is to promote the professional development of a member of the Early Childhood Association of Florida (ECA of FL) by attending the ECA of FL Annual Conference. The local affiliates and Community at Large Chapters are encouraged to submit recommendations of outstanding members who have contributed to the goals and purpose of the organization at the local affiliate level. An affiliate, or Community at Large Chapter may recommend only one applicant each year.

The recipient receives the following:

- Complimentary Two-day Pre-registration
- Complimentary Children's Rally Luncheon ticket
- Complimentary Banquet ticket
- Complimentary Member Luncheon ticket (recipient will be recognized)
- Complimentary Hotel- 2 nights
- \$50 to help defray travel expenses

REQUIREMENTS:

1. The applicant is a current member and has not attended an annual ECA conference ever, or in the past 5 years. Priority will be given to applicants who have never attended.
2. The applicant has contributed service to the organization through the state affiliate, the local affiliate, or the community-at-large level.
3. A local or state board member submits a letter of recommendation for the applicant.
4. The applicant must obtain a recommendation from a current or former employer. If the applicant is a student, recommendation from an instructor is acceptable.
5. The applicant is able to attend the entire conference for which the scholarship is designated.
6. The completed application packet is submitted by the deadline.
7. If the applicant receives the award, they are required to sign a letter of acceptance upon receipt, and they must submit a follow up report within 60 days of attending the conference.

MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION POSTMARKED BY August 15 TO:

ECA of FL
3026 W. Main Street
Tampa, FL 33607

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The application must include:

- _____ Complete applicant information
- _____ Explanation by applicant of his/her participation in the local affiliate
- _____ Explanation of why applicant wants to attend the conference and how information will be used
- _____ Application signed and dated
- _____ Letter of recommendation from a local or state board member describing how this member has contributed to the goals and purposes of the state affiliate, the local affiliate or the community at large group.
- _____ Letter of recommendation from current or previous employer or instructor describing the personal and professional qualities the applicant has in the field of early childhood care and education.
- _____ Postmarked by August 15

Send completed application to:

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