

CIRCLE CDA Training Program

The Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential™ is the most widely recognized credential in early childhood education and is a key stepping stone on the path of career advancement in the early childhood field. The CDA is based on a core set of competency standards, which guide early care professionals as they work toward becoming qualified teachers of young children. To qualify, early childhood teachers must have a strong knowledge base (education and professional development) and demonstrated practice (experience in the classroom). Help your teachers achieve their CDA through the CIRCLE CDA Training Program!

The table below details the courses available to teachers the CIRCLE CDA Training Program in each of the six CDA Competency Goals, as well as the introduction and professional portfolio courses. Through the program, teachers will receive all 120 hours needed to apply for their CDA, and support to complete the professional portfolio.

COMPETENCY GOALS	COURSES ON CLI ENGAGE	
Plan Your CDA Journey	<u>CIRCLE CDA</u> Introduction	
Goal I: To establish and maintain a safe, healthy learning environment.	<u>CIRCLE CDA</u> Safe Health <u>eCIRCLE</u> Classroom Management	<u>TX Core Competencies (Practitioners)</u> Learning Environments, Planning Framework, Curriculum, and Standards Health, Safety, and Nutrition
Goal II: To advance physical and intellectual competence.	<u>eCIRCLE</u> Early Childhood Mathematics Discovering Early Childhood Science Letter Knowledge Read Aloud Building Vocabulary Phonological Awareness Written Expression Setting the Stage for Children’s Talk English Language Learners	<u>CIRCLE CDA</u> Physical Fostering Creativity in the Early Childhood Classroom <u>TX Core Competencies (Practitioners)</u> Child Growth and Development Supporting Skill Development Diversity and Dual Language Learners
Goal III: To support social and emotional development and to provide positive guidance.	<u>eCIRCLE</u> Social and Emotional Learning Understanding Special Needs	<u>TX Core Competencies (Practitioners)</u> Responsive Interactions & Guidance <u>CIRCLE CDA</u> Guidance
Goal IV: To establish positive and productive relationships with families.	<u>CIRCLE CDA</u> Families Part 1 and Part 2 <u>TX Core Competencies (Practitioners)</u> Family & Community Relationships	<u>TX Core Competencies (Administrators)</u> Instituting Family and Community-Centered Programming
Goal V: To ensure a well-run purposeful program that is responsive to participants needs.	<u>CIRCLE CDA</u> Program Management <u>TX Core Competencies (Practitioners)</u> Learning Environments, Planning Framework, Curriculum, and Standards Observation and Assessment	<u>TX Core Competencies (Administrators)</u> Establishing and Maintaining an Effective Organization Human Resource Leadership and Development Implementing a Developmentally Appropriate Curriculum and Environment
Goal VI: To maintain a commitment to professionalism.	<u>CIRCLE CDA</u> Professionalism	<u>TX Core Competencies (Practitioners)</u> Introduction Professionalism and Ethics
Prepare Your Portfolio	<u>CIRCLE CDA</u> Building Your Professional Portfolio	

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