

CDA Certification: Timeline for the High School Program (3 years)

Requires:

- 120 hours of child development/early childhood education training
- 480 hours of experience working directly with children (paid or volunteer)

Schedule for recommendation of completing course work within a high school CDA program:

		Course enrollment
Year 1	Complete course work 120 Hours (9th or 10 th grade level)	ECE: Pathway to National Credential Or Human Growth and Development*
Year 2	Begin work on portfolio (<i>online or hardcopy</i>) Work in the selected area of child development for 6.5 – 7 hours/week for a total of 240 Hours**	School & Community Partnership I~
Year 3	Work in the selected area of child development for 6.5 – 7 hours/week for a total of 240 Hours**	School & Community Partnership II
	<u>Next steps:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete online application • Student participates in a CDA Verification Visit Study • Takes CDA Exam • Earns CDA Credential <i>upon passing score</i> 	
	<u>Cost of CDA Exam</u> \$425.00 online	

****All 8 CDA subject areas must be covered within the course***

*****Missed days/hours of the school year could be made up during the summer months***

~Students must accumulate the work experience hours during their junior and senior years

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