



The New Jersey Infant/Toddler Credential

New Jersey has a deep commitment to providing quality child care for the state's infants and toddlers by providing programs that support strong nurturing relationships, cultural competencies and diverse learning styles and needs. The key to quality is the teachers who care for

The New Jersey Infant/Toddler Credential can be earned by submitting:

1. NJ Infant/Toddler Credential Enrollment Application (found at www.njcite.org) and the Administration fee of \$350.
1. Transcripts and/or documentation of clock hours of training:
 - 120 approved non-credit training hours related to the Key Indicators of Quality found in *The Learning Guide for the New Jersey Infant/Toddler Credential* **OR**
 - Infant/Toddler CDA (other CDA which includes 30 hours of infant/toddler specific training) **OR**
 - 9 College credits related to Key Indicators of Quality **OR**
 - AA or BA in early childhood education, child development, human development or related field.
2. Transcripts of the completion of 2 college courses (3 credits each): *Social & Emotional Development: Infant Mental Health for Practitioners* and *Supervised Field Work in Infant and Toddler Settings*.
3. Portfolio demonstrating how knowledge is applied to program implementation.
4. Documentation of appropriate work experience. (Minimum of 6 months with children under three years of age)
5. Written feedback on observation and field experience completed by Supervised Field Work course instructor.
6. Two letters of recommendation: One from a parent in program and one from a supervisor. Family child care providers submit two letters from parents.
7. Reflective personal essay and statement of commitment.
8. A copy of the completed *Learning Guide for the New Jersey Infant/Toddler Credential*. (Can be purchased for \$20 at www.njcite.org)

and teach children and families everyday. The Coalition of Infant/Toddler Educators promotes the *New Jersey Infant/Toddler Credential* to enhance the knowledge, skills and practice of infant/toddler professionals and para-professionals in center based and family child care programs.

**Find out why the
NJ Infant/Toddler
Credential
is important to your
caregiving practice and
to your career, how you
can earn the credential,
and where you can find
support resources. Visit
the CITE website at
www.njcite.org.**

***The Learning Guide for the New
Jersey Infant/Toddler Credential*
is available for purchase!
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