

CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

CRUCIAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR WORKING FAMILIES

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ABOUT US

Workforce Development Institute (WDI) is dedicated to providing financial support to working families to help cover the high costs of child care.

Child care can be a significant expense for working families, in fact, the average cost of child care for a family with two children is more than \$30,000 per year. WDIs Child Care Scholarship Program is designed to help offset some of those costs and allow parents to spend on essential needs and investments that contribute to their family's well-being.

Income eligibility levels have increased significantly and more than 80% of those who complete a prescreen assessment qualify for child care assistance.

SCHOLARSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

WDIs Child Care Scholarship Program awards an average monthly scholarship of \$1,000 per child for full-time care, paid directly to a New York state certified child care provider on behalf of the eligible family.

Our program serves a diverse range of families within the middle-class income range, making quality child care accessible to more people than you might expect.

Applicants must be working or enrolled in an educational or training program, for a minimum of 10 hours per week.

ELIGIBLE INCOME GUIDELINES & CRITERIA

Family Size*	Minimum Income**	Maximum Income
2	\$73,869	\$84,600
3	\$91,250	\$106,600
4	\$108,631	\$128,600
5	\$126,012	\$150,600
6	\$143,393	\$172,600

^{*}Family Size indicates the number of children under the age of 19 and parents living in the household.

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^{**}If your income is below the scholarship's minimum, you may still be eligible for assistance through your local county social services. Visit our website for more information.