



How to apply for a position with Preschool Programs

Child Development Associate Teacher - CDAT



<p>This is a Para-educator Non-instructional position.</p>
<p>Education:</p> <p><u>Preferred:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Associates degree (or higher) in Early Childhood with Formal DCF credential <p><u>Acceptable Florida Child Care Staff Credential:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Florida Child Care Professional Credential (FCCPC) equivalency with a minimum of 18 college credit hours in Early Childhood, must be current• National Early Childhood Credential (NECC), must be current
<p>Florida DCF and DOE Course Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Staff Credential Verification:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Must be eligible to teach Voluntary PreKindergarten (VPK)• Emergent Literacy for VPK Instructors (5-hour, online course, \$10)• Florida Standards for Four-Year-Olds (SFYO) (Online course, \$10) <p>DCF = Department of Children & Families http://www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/child-care/training</p>
<p>Experience:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Actual work experience should be in nursery school teaching, childcare, Head Start, or other preschool program, kindergarten, or other relevant experience• Preferably with economically disadvantaged preschool children and their families

Steps to apply for a CDAT position: (both steps are required)

1. Complete Polk County Schools Quality Counts Online Applicant Registration (RHS) located at: <http://www.polk-fl.net/employment/onlineapplication.htm>

In addition to step 1, current employees must complete the PCS Transfer Request Form available at <http://www.polk-fl.net/employment/>.

2. Using the RHS system, apply for each specific *Non-Instructional* position. View at: <http://www.polk-fl.net/employment/noninstructional.asp> (Scroll down the page to view Para-Educator position vacancies.)