

MI-YDA (MICHIGAN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE) CREDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is for you if you work in a licensed program and have completed the requirements for the MI-YDA Credential. This scholarship helps pay for the assessment fee charged by the Michigan Youth Development Associate Credentialing Program. The **Michigan Youth Development Associate (MI-YDA)** is a credential that requires 480 hours of work/volunteer experience with youth in out-of-school-time programs and 120 clock hours of training within the last five years. These 120 clock hours of training can be obtained at community colleges or through other training organizations.

1. Prepare to Apply:

The applicant must meet all of the following eligibility requirements:

- Must be **18 or older** with a high school diploma or equivalent.
- Provide documentation of current **first aid and adult/child CPR certification** and **blood-borne pathogen training** (not included in 120 hours of training required below).
- **Three hours** of program observation must be completed and documented.
- Complete **120 clock hours** of formal training (community-based or college credit training).*
- Complete **480 hours of work experience** with youth in out-of-school-time programs within the last five years.
- Provide documentation of membership in the **Michigan After-School Partnership (MASP)** or **National Afterschool Associate (NAA)**.
 - » **TEACH can help cover cost of training taken for college credit.*

2. Register to Begin the MI YDA:

- Visit MI-YDA.org to create a password for your personal email* account, which will become your username.
- **Log in and Apply Now**, complete the candidate information and use the dashboard portal and essential documents to upload and complete requirements.

- Apply for the **TEACH MI-YDA scholarship** OR **submit electronic payment of \$299** by selecting Pay Now in your Candidate Dashboard.
- Complete the **Assessment**.
- Upload copies of **training, CPR/first aid, blood-borne pathogen training** and **ID**, then submit **Credential Application**.
- Receive **email confirmation** and an External Assessor will contact you to conduct an on-site observation.

3. Apply for TEACH Scholarship

- Complete **TEACH Scholarship Mi-YDA Application** at miaeyc.org and submit:
 - » Completed **Employer Verification Form**.
 - » **Receipt of payment** for MI-YDA credential for reimbursement of 85% of credential fee OR **screenshot/saved copy of your MI-YDA dashboard** showing your completion of all portions of the credential process and readiness to take the exam.
- **Sign and return contract**.
- **Submit a copy of credential** to TEACH to receive a \$200 bonus.
- **Remain** in the early childhood education, or out-of-school-time field for six months upon completion of scholarship.

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