



# CDA Training Course

## Vermont Applicant Packet

### Hours of Operation (Eastern Time):

Monday-Thursday: 7:00am-6:00pm

Friday: 7:00am-12:00pm

Closed on Weekends and Holidays





## Welcome Message and Mission Statement

### Welcome

Welcome to Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques! We pride ourselves on helping parents and preschool facilities create a healthy and positive basis for the children in their lives. We also take great pride in helping parents and teachers establish skillsets to further enhance their own personal and teaching habits.

At Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques, we are proud to offer one of a kind schedule friendly programs that facilitate children, parents, teachers, and preschools. Whether it be developing positive habits for children, parent coaching, or simple room organization techniques, one of our many programs can help all involved establish habits in the present that will create a basis for a bright future.

With the help of our certified and trained staff, you can feel comfortable knowing that you are working in conjunction with experienced professionals who are eager to help provide a positive foundation of wellness for your future.

### Mission Statement

Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques is dedicated to helping parents, teachers, and preschool facilities create a healthy and positive basis for the children in their lives.

Our mission is to provide programs that develop a healthy and educational foundation for children and teachers in a schedule friendly manner.

At Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques, we are dedicated and committed to providing teachers, families, and preschools with the utmost care, professionalism, and individualized assistance.

### Policies and Guidelines

Please visit [misstrish.net](http://misstrish.net) to read and review our Policies and Guidelines.



## CDA Training Course

**Earn the Most Widely Recognized Credential in  
Early Childhood Education**

**Providing You With Everything You Need To Earn Your CDA  
Trainings & Classes Provided by Certified Educators with  
Field Experience**

### CDA Requirements:

- 120 Hours of Training in CDA Subject Areas
- Professional Portfolio
- CDA Exam
- PD Specialist Observation

### Making It Work For You:

- Online Course
- Personalized Guidance
- Schedule Friendly
- Exam Preparation

### Why Earn Your CDA:

- Further Enhance Your Knowledge and Career
- Increase Your Training
- Boost Your Classroom Performance
- Potentially Earn a Higher Salary

Required Textbooks & Materials to be Purchased: *CDA Essentials for Working with Young Children (Second Edition)*, *The Child Development Associate National Credentialing Program and CDA Competency Standards*, and a Binder for your Portfolio

## CDA TRAINING INFORMATION

**SCHOLARSHIPS  
AVAILABLE IN  
VARIOUS STATES**

**PAYMENT PLANS &  
DISCOUNTS  
AVAILABLE**

**SCHEDULE FRIENDLY**

**FULL ONLINE COURSE**

**OPTIONAL ONLINE  
LIVE  
CLASS SESSIONS**

**INDIVIDUAL ONLINE  
TUTORING AVAILABLE**

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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Program Founder & Director**

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Courses: [courses.misstrish.net](http://courses.misstrish.net)**

**Phone Number: 1-833-Ms-Trish  
(1-833-678-7474) Ext.: 1**

**Email: [contact@misstrish.net](mailto:contact@misstrish.net)**



## Miss Trish's is an IACET Accredited Provider

### What is IACET?

- IACET (International Accreditors for Continuing Education and Training) is recognized internationally as a standard development organization and accrediting body that promotes quality of continuing education and training

### Why Does it Matter that Miss Trish's is an IACET Accredited Provider?

- Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques is accredited by the International Accreditors for Continuing Education and Training (IACET) and offers IACET CEUs for its learning events that comply with the ANSI/IACET Continuing Education and Training Standard. IACET is recognized internationally as a standard development organization and accrediting body that promotes quality of continuing education and training.

### What Does Miss Trish's Provide as an IACET Accredited Provider?

- CEUs for all learning events that comply with the ANSI/IACET Continuing Education and Training Standard (*ex: 12 CEUs for 120 Hours of CDA Training*)
- An organization that provides stellar processes used to plan, design, develop, deliver, and administer programs
- Assurance of a quality organization
- Learning opportunities that have been benchmarked against industry best practices





## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques Becomes an IACET Accredited Provider Prestigious Accreditation Demonstrates Commitment to High-Quality Adult Learning**

**September 1, 2021:** The International Association for Continuing Education and Training (IACET) has awarded Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques the prestigious Accredited Provider accreditation. IACET Accredited Providers are the only organizations approved to offer IACET Continuing Education Units (CEUs). The accreditation period extends for five years, and includes all programs offered or created during that time.

"Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques is proud of our education programs which educate hundreds of Early Childhood Educators each year in crucial classroom skills so that our students can maintain relevancy in today's world," stated Patricia Pascucci, Owner/Director. Patricia Pascucci added, "Our accreditation with IACET is a demonstration of our commitment to quality adult education and high standards for all of our programs. We are very pleased to join such a prestigious organization as well as an elite group of organizations that offer excellent continuing education and training programs."

"We are pleased to recognize and celebrate the achievement of Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques as an Accredited Provider," stated Casandra Blassingame, CEO of IACET. Blassingame added, "Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques proudly joins nearly 500 organizations around the globe that have matriculated through a rigorous peer-reviewed process by experts in continuing education, thereby ensuring the highest possible standards are met."

**Courses Offered Include:**

- All Inclusive Online CDA Program
- Online CDA Renewal Course
- Online Early Childhood Education Courses

To achieve Accredited Provider accreditation, Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques completed a rigorous application process and successfully demonstrated adherence to the ANSI/IACET 2018-1 Standard for Continuing Education and Training by addressing the design, development, administration, and evaluation of its programs. Miss Trish's has pledged its continued compliance with the Standard and is now authorized to use the IACET name and Accredited Provider logo on promotional course material. In addition, Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques is now linked to the IACET web site and is recognized as offering the highest quality continuing education and training programs.

Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques is redefining education for Early Childhood Educators, creating flexible courses that are designed for Educators by Educators. With continued support, students enrolled in courses created by Miss Trish can feel confident that they will not only successfully complete their training, but apply the skills learned in a classroom setting to become the best teachers possible.

**About IACET:** The International Association for Continuing Education and Training (IACET) is a non-profit association dedicated to quality continuing education and training programs. IACET is the only standard-setting organization approved by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) for continuing education and training. The ANSI/IACET 2018-1 Standard for Continuing Education and Training is the core of thousands of educational programs worldwide. For more information, please visit [www.iacet.org](http://www.iacet.org) or call 703-763-0705.



## What's Included in Miss Trish's CDA Program?

### Course Information and Details

- IACET Accredited Provider
- 100% virtual learning with ongoing support from Certified Educators with field experience
- Participants are able to create their own learning schedule and complete their training during their availability (we recommend 6 hours per week but participants are able to create their own schedule)
- Optional weekly live virtual classes with a certified educator at no extra cost
- Optional one-on-one or small group virtual tutoring with a certified educator at no extra cost
- Continued support and guidance from a team of educators with field experience
- 120 hours of online training in all required CDA Subject Areas
- Earn 12 CEUs (Continuing Education Units)
- Professional Portfolio assistance from certified PD Specialists
- CDA Exam preparation
- Assistance locating a PD Specialist and preparing for your observation

### Course Timeline

- Participants are provided with 5 months access to the online CDA Program to complete their 120 hours of training in all 8 required subject areas towards earning their CDA
- Participants are provided with 7 months access to the CDA Professional Portfolio Course for additional assistance creating the required Professional Portfolio towards earning their CDA
- Participants are provided with guidance upon the completion of their 120 hours of training towards the next stages of earning their CDA

### Required Texts to be Purchased Separately:

(All texts can be purchased at <https://www.cdacouncil.org/> )

- *The Child Development Associate National Credentialing Program and CDA Competency Standards (Infant - Toddler or Preschool Edition)*
- *CDA Essentials for Working with Young Children (Second Edition)*

## Students Enrolled In This Training Will Have Access To:

- Course Syllabus
- Study Guide/Review Packets
- Interactive Worksheets
- Training Videos
- Sample Professional Portfolio and Review of your Professional Portfolio
- Interactive Review Activities
- Content Assessments
- Personalized Assistance
- Optional Live Virtual Classes
- Optional Personal or Small Group Tutoring
- Email and Text Message Notifications

## Why Choose Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings And Techniques For All Of Your Trainings?

- All trainings created by an Educator for Educators
- Course activities to engage all types of learners
- Personalized guidance from experienced Educators
- Access to virtual tutoring
- Study Guides and Interactive Worksheets designed for optimal learning
- Sample schedules provided to help learners stay on track
- Notification Emails
- Easy to view dashboards
- Full time access to certificates and transcripts

## Courses/Trainings Included in the CDA Program

1. Planning a Safe and Healthy Learning Environment
2. Advancing Children's Physical and Intellectual Development
3. Supporting Children's Social and Emotional Development
4. Building Productive Relationships with Families
5. Managing an Effective Program
6. Maintaining a Commitment to Professionalism
7. Observing and Recording Children's Behavior
8. Understanding Principles of Child Development and Learning
9. CDA Practice Exam
10. CDA Professional Portfolio Course and Review of Professional Portfolio by a certified PD Specialist and Educator



## CDA Program Cost & Registration Information

### CDA Program Cost

- \$1500.00 for 120 hours of online training (This training is normally \$1800.00 when the courses are purchased separately. Participants also receive the Professional Portfolio Course for free, a total savings of \$525. That is less than \$15.00 per hour of training!)
- Textbooks are priced at \$95 at the Council's website at [cdacouncil.org](http://cdacouncil.org)

### Grants Available

- VSAC Advancement Grant available up to \$3,000 per year at [VSAC.ORG](http://VSAC.ORG)

### Payment Plans Available

- For those who do not qualify for the VSAC Advancement Grant, payment plans are available
- Please contact us for payment plan information at 1-833-678-7474 Ext. 1 or email [finance@misstrish.net](mailto:finance@misstrish.net)

### How to Register for the CDA Program

1. Contact us at 1-833-Ms-Trish (1-833-678-7474) Ext. 1 or email [ppascucci@misstrish.net](mailto:ppascucci@misstrish.net) to notify our team that you are interested in registering for the CDA Program so we can answer any questions you may have and help you choose the finance/grant option best for you
2. Complete and submit the attached Registration Form & Information Sheet to [ppascucci@misstrish.net](mailto:ppascucci@misstrish.net)
3. For those applying for the VSAC Advancement Grant, upon notification of your approval/denial, you will be contacted by a member of our team to discuss the next steps to finalize your registration
4. You will then be sent your official CDA Program Welcome Guide, Optional Live Online Class Schedule, and Optional Live Virtual Tutoring Information Sheet, all important information to help you be as successful as possible within the CDA Program
5. Once you receive your CDA Program Welcome Guide, visit <https://courses.misstrish.net/> to register using the login information emailed to you

**If you would like to register on your own without payment plan or grant assistance, no worries! Simply visit <https://courses.misstrish.net/> to pay with a credit card and get started now!**



## Pre-Qualifying Information & CDA Requirements

### Pre-Qualifying Information for Available VSAC Advancement Grants

**To meet the criteria for the CDA Program and/or VSAC Advancement Grant requirements, please ensure you meet all of the requirements below. Payment Plans and discounts are available for those who do not meet the qualifications for the VSAC Advancement Grant.**

#### How To Apply at VSAC.ORG

Login to complete an Advancement Grant application. After submitting the application, mail or upload a copy of your 2018 federal income tax return (and your spouse's/civil union partner's, if applicable), including all schedules and W-2s (if you filed).

Your Federal Income Tax Return and Your Spouse's/Civil Union Partner's (if applicable) can be uploaded to the [vsac.org](http://vsac.org) website or mailed to:

**VSAC Scholarship Program**

**PO Box 2000**

**Winooski, VT 05404-2601**

- Applications are considered on a first-come, first-served basis as long as funding is available.
- Applicants will be notified of their eligibility approximately 2-3 weeks after the application is complete.
- If eligible, the amount of the Advancement Grant awarded to a student is calculated based on the student's financial need and the cost of the course, up to a maximum award, which is determined each year based on program type. Because of limited funds, a student will be considered for only two courses per enrollment term, up to two enrollment terms per year.
- VSAC will contact your school to verify enrollment and costs after your course has started. Once enrollment has been verified, the Advancement Grant will be disbursed directly to your school.

## Who Is Eligible? You must...

- be a Vermont resident and live in the state of Vermont for one year prior to the start of your class
- be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen
- be enrolled in a non-degree or non-matriculated program at a school/business approved by VSAC (*if you are unsure, please check with your school*)
- have financial need as determined by the VSAC Grant Program
- not have already received six terms of the Advancement Grant (formerly the Vermont Non-Degree Grant)
- not be receiving a Vermont Incentive Grant (full-time) or a Vermont Part-Time Grant for a degree program for the same semester or for two semesters during the 2020-2021 academic year
- not have been enrolled as a high school student within the past three months unless you have a high school diploma or G.E.D.
- not have previously received an Advancement Grant (formerly the Vermont Non-Degree Grant) for the same course for which you are now applying
- not be in default on an education loan
- not be enrolled in a correspondence, self-improvement, recreational, peer review, or testing preparatory course
- not be enrolled in a course located outside of the United States

**All VSAC Advancement Grant Information & Requirements Can Be Found At [VSAC.ORG](https://www.vtac.org)**

## CDA Requirements Set by the Council for Professional Recognition

**The requirements below have been set by the Council for Professional Recognition. In the CDA Program, you will receive guidance to meet each requirement and complete each step needed towards earning your CDA.**

- You must have a high school diploma
- Any time before you apply: Complete 120 clock hours of professional education covering the eight CDA Subject Areas
- Within 3 years before you apply: Obtain 480 hours of experience working with young children
- Within 6 months before you apply: Prepare a CDA Professional Portfolio according to the requirements outlined in the CDA Competency Standards book
- Submit a completed CDA application with full payment or scholarship issued funds
- Take the CDA Exam at a local Pearson Vue test center
- Complete the CDA Verification Visit with the PD Specialist

**Please visit <https://www.cdacouncil.org/credentials/faqs/apply-for-cda-faqs> for more information on the CDA credentialing process**



## CDA Applicant Required Documents

### Required Documents to be Submitted

All documents listed are required to successfully register for the CDA Program.

All required documents should be emailed to [ppascucci@misstrish.net](mailto:ppascucci@misstrish.net)

After all documents have been received and reviewed, all CDA Program applicants will receive further directions to finalize registration.

Please email each document as a separate PDF file or photo to

[ppascucci@misstrish.net](mailto:ppascucci@misstrish.net)

1. Completed CDA Training Course Registration Form (Attached)
2. Completed CDA Information Sheet (Attached)



## VSAC Account Directions

If you are interested in applying for an Advancement Grant through VSAC, you will need to have create a VSAC account. Please follow the directions below to create a VSAC account if you do not have one If you need assistance with this, please call the VSAC Grant Program at **800-882-4166** (or **654-3750** in the Burlington area)

### How to Create a VSAC Account

1. Go to [vsac.org](https://vsac.org)
2. Click My VSAC in the upper right hand corner
3. Click the Register Now button and follow the prompts



## CDA Training Course

### Information Sheet

*Please Print Neatly*

Full Name:

Birthday:

Home Address (Include Street Address, Town, State, and Zip Code):

Email:

Phone Number:

Are You Interested in Earning Your Infant/Toddler or Preschool CDA (*Choose One*):

Place of Employment:

Employer's Address (Include Street Address, Town, State, and Zip Code):

Director of Preschool/Daycare:

Current Employment Position (*ex: Infant Teacher*):

Start Date at Place of Employment:

Hours Worked Each Week:

Director's Email Address:

Director's: Phone Number:

Are You Applying for a VSAC Advancement Grant or Payment Plan? (**Circle One**)

Do You Have a Physical Copy of Your 1040 (2021 Tax Return)? **YES or NO?**



## CDA Training Course Registration Form

### CDA Applicant's Information

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this Registration Form, I agree that I meet all eligibility requirements and prerequisites of the Council for Professional Recognition and CDA Council to begin 120 hours of training towards my CDA credential. I give permission to Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques to assist with the completion of any and all CDA Scholarship Applications and Credential Applications through applicable program sites, CDA Council, and any other applicable forum(s) to facilitate the CDA credentialing and financing processes. I agree to provide Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques with the completed forms and required documentation to complete any and all CDA Scholarship Applications and Credential Applications through the CDA Council, and all other applicable forums. I give Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques permission to use the information and documentation I have provided in order to contact any and all necessary parties on my behalf and complete any required forms needed to fulfill CDA obligations and requirements. I understand that this information, documentation, and any accounts created will be used for CDA credentialing purposes only. I agree to allow Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques permission to utilize all coursework submissions and course documentation related to the CDA Program for marketing, sample, and example purposes.

I agree to fulfill the required obligations of the CDA Training Course as described in the Application Packet, Syllabus, Online Training Program, and as stated and/or provided by the Master Level Trainer. I agree to maintain in good standing with all requirements mandated by the Council for Professional Recognition, all applicable scholarship programs, CDA Council, and all other applicable forum(s) and that failure to do so will result in loss of CDA eligibility. I agree to provide Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques with copies of any emails received from all applicable parties that relate to my CDA course/program, CDA Council, and all other applicable parties and maintain communication with the Master Level Trainer. I agree to maintain contact with Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques. I agree that not fulfilling the required obligations, not maintaining eligibility requirements mandated by the Council for Professional Recognition, applicable scholarship program, CDA Council, and all other forum(s) and/or not providing the required documentation will result in discontinuation of the course and failure to earn CDA credentials. I understand that I must complete the CDA Program by the course end date/date of completion and failure to do so will result in loss of class access and in additional fees for any requested class extensions. I understand that I will not have access to the online course and its affiliated course material after the course end date.

I understand that Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques is not responsible for providing the final CDA certificate and that final certifications are awarded by the CDA Council. I agree that Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques is not responsible for my final CDA certification. I understand that I am responsible for paying the required CDA Assessment Fee in order to continue receiving CDA credentials if I am not awarded scholarship funds by any applicable parties or other forum. I understand that I am responsible for payment of any additional requirements mandated by the scholarship forum/party, Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques, and/or CDA Council and that failure to make these payments will result in non-completion of the CDA program and failure to earn CDA credentials. I understand that I am responsible for completing any additional forms or requirements provided by Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques, any and all scholarship forums, and/or the CDA Council in order to comply with the requirements of the Council for Professional Recognition and CDA Training Course.

I agree to provide Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques with personal information required to register and ensure I meet the requirements of the CDA Program, this includes but is not limited to: all information listed on the Information Sheet, payment information (when applicable), and scholarship verification information (when applicable). I understand that Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques will discard all personal documentation upon earned CDA credentials, CDA Course completion, and/or CDA Course withdrawal/dismissal. I agree that Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques, its owner, and any affiliated staff members are not responsible for personal information and identity misuse, theft, and/or other identify related issues. I understand that Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques will share updates regarding my CDA Program status and any scholarship award notifications with the Director, Owner, and/or Administrative Staff of the Early Childhood facility I am currently employed at.

I agree that I have read and understand Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques Policies and Regulations Guide and that I am responsible for keeping abreast of any changes to the Policies and Regulations Guide. I agree to abide by the guidelines, regulations, and policies of Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques Policies and Regulations Guide and that failure to do so may result in discontinuation of the course and failure to earn CDA credentials. I agree to solely complete the 120 hours of mandated online CDA training and that failure to do so will result in non-completion of the training program. I authorize that all of the information and documentation I have provided and/or have asked my employer to provide is correct and do not hold Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques, its owner, or any affiliated staff members responsible for any incorrect information and/or documentation (via hard copy or online) and/or its effects. I agree that all documents I have submitted or my employer has submitted are authentic. I agree that I have provided Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques with accurate information/documentation and that I am responsible for any errors and potential ramifications from any and all possible inaccuracies. I understand that I am responsible for the accuracy of the information located in all of my online accounts and scholarship applications, including, but not limited to, my account(s) with all scholarship forums, CDA Council, Scholarship Applications, and online course registration(s) with Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques. I understand and agree that any and all online or computer based signatures I provide are legal and provide my authorization. I agree to not share, sell, copy, or solicit information accrued from Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques.

I agree that I am responsible for CDA program costs and any additional costs and/or fees that I am not awarded scholarships for. I agree that I am responsible for all additional costs/fees that will incur for course extensions and/or failure to complete the program by the course end date. I agree that Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques is not responsible for any incurred expenses during this program, including, but not limited to, the cost of materials, books, trainings, certifications, applications, assessments, and all other applicable expenses. I understand that the cost of the CDA Training Program/Course is separate from the Assessment Fee and that funds received for the training program do not apply towards the assessment fee, applications, or any other expenses. I understand that I will not have access to the CDA Program and/or course materials offered by the CDA Program after the course end date. I agree that Miss Trish's Wellness Teachings and Techniques does not promote the usage of any websites, applications, and/or company products. I understand that there are no refunds. I agree to all terms and conditions in this Registration Form, the Policies and Regulations Guide, the Course Syllabus, Scholarship Forum Requirements, Council for Professional Recognition Requirements, all scholarship agencies, and all other applicable forums.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_