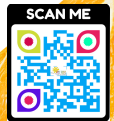




# EDUCATOR NEWSLETTER

QUARTER 2- JULY 2025



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### *A Note from Miss Trish:*

As educators transition from the school year to summer break and camp, the staff at Miss Trish's are busy preparing for our Fall sessions of CDA courses. Whether you are a seasoned veteran in need of a CDA renewal or new to the ECE field, Miss Trish's has high-quality training available for you! We encourage you to enroll your Educators in an accredited CDA program such as Miss Trish's to ensure they are receiving the guidance they need and gain invaluable knowledge to support the young learners in their care. Our staff at Miss Trish's are here for you and your staff through all steps of the CDA Program and look forward to helping your staff succeed!



## UPDATE FROM THE COUNCIL FOR PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION



The Council for Professional Recognition has announced the addition of "the Child Development Professional™: The Best Next Step" in credentialing for Early Childhood Educators. This credential will be designed to recognize experienced educators who have already earned the CDA, and who demonstrate excellence in a variety of areas including leading in classroom practice, mentoring peers, and improving quality in programs. The Council will be collecting feedback throughout the year and expects to set credential guidelines in 2026.

LEARN MORE AT [CDACOUNCIL.ORG](https://CDACOUNCIL.ORG)

# STATE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR CDA TRAINING COURSES\*

\*Staff may be eligible for scholarships through various state agencies. Please see the list of state scholarships below that we are currently approved providers for. Scholarships are limited in availability to those who qualify and are not guaranteed. For more information on scholarships, please contact your state's provider below.

**New Jersey:** NJCCIS Scholarship; 877-522-1050

**New York:** Scholarship funding may be available through the (Educational Incentive Program (EIP))/Medication Administration Training (MAT). For more information or to apply for a scholarship, please visit [www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu](http://www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu). You may also contact EIP/MAT by email at [eip@albany.edu](mailto:eip@albany.edu), MAT by email at [mat@albany.edu](mailto:mat@albany.edu) or by phone at either (800) 295-9616 or (518) 442-6575.

**Wyoming:** WY Quality Counts Scholarships; 307-777-2439

**Idaho:** IdahoSTARS Supplemental Training Scholarship; 800-926-2588



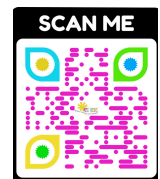
CDA ENROLLMENT OPEN  
FOR SESSION RUNNING:

OCTOBER 1-MARCH 1

REGISTRATION OPEN  
THROUGH:

JULY 30TH

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## CDA COURSES NOW AVAILABLE IN SPANISH & ENGLISH!



Did you know that Miss Trish's CDA Program is **available for staff in English and Spanish**? When registering, indicate on the forms the preferred language and you will be enrolled in the chosen course upon completing the registration process. **Call, email, or visit our website** and our Enrollment Specialists will support you every step of the way in earning the CDA! Space is limited for our upcoming session, so contact us to register today!

VISIT [MISSTRISH.NET](http://MISSTRISH.NET)

## IN THE NEWS

**HEAD START NEEDS YOUR HELP!** As part of recent budget proposals, Head Start programs are threatened with significant cuts in funding, resulting in the decrease or elimination of essential resources for young children. **YOU CAN HELP** by contacting local lawmakers and representatives, and educating them on the importance of continuing funding for these programs. Visit the Council for Professional Recognition's website to "Make Your Voice Heard" and easily contact these lawmakers and **encourage them to support Head Start.**

VISIT [HTTPS://WWW.CDACOUNCIL.ORG/EN/POLICY-AND-ADVOCACY/MAKE-YOUR-VOICE-HEARD/](https://www.cdacouncil.org/en/policy-and-advocacy/make-your-voice-heard/)





# INTRODUCING MISS TRISH'S QUARTER 2 STAR CENTER!



MISS TRISH'S IS PROUD TO AWARD ONE PARTNERING CENTER PER QUARTER WITH THE TITLE OF "STAR CENTER"! THE CHOSEN CENTER WILL RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE, RECOGNITION IN OUR NEWSLETTER, AND A STAFF LUNCHEON, COURTESY OF MISS TRISH'S!

## SON CATCHER'S LEARNING CENTER SOMERS POINT, NJ DIRECTOR: KEVIN MCHUGH

### Why did you choose Miss Trish's CDA Program for your staff's training?

*"Miss Trish's always provides continued support."*

### What separates Miss Trish's from other training providers?

*"We always receive easy step by step guidance."*

### What do you believe are the qualities of an outstanding center that your center displays?

*"Employees that are committed to their craft, providing the best possible learning opportunity for our children and their families."*

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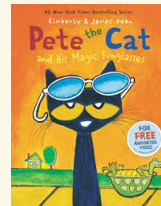
Star Center Application



## WELLNESS TIPS

**Set yourself up for success in the new school year!**

- Review last year's lesson plans and make note of what went well & what didn't.
- Keep an eye out for sales on school supplies.
- Freshen up your wardrobe with comfortable and professional looks.
- Read a book by the pool for fun or for professional development.
- Take some time to relax before another exciting school year!



## FEATURED CHILDREN'S BOOK

### **Pete the Cat and His Magic Sunglasses**

by Kimberly and James Dean gives children a new perspective on how to deal with a bad situation. With his magic sunglasses, Pete changes his grumpy mood into an awesome day!

**-Math:** Ask children how they feel today and make a graph to compare results.

**-Science:** Discuss the types of weather seen throughout the story.

**-Art:** Design your own "magic sunglasses" out of cardstock, markers, and more.

**-Social/ Emotional:** Brainstorm things you can do to cheer up a friend if they are grumpy.





## SUMMER CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES

Cool down this summer with water play! Use materials from your classroom and add water and sensory tools to create one of these themed sensory bins for children to explore. And remember to always supervise children during water play!

beach party | flowers | pirates | mermaids | zoo | lemonade stand  
ocean | popcorn | bubbles | animal babies | life cycles | insects

## FEATURED EDUCATORS

MISS TRISH'S IS PROUD TO FEATURE A STAR EDUCATOR EACH MONTH WHO RECENTLY COMPLETED THEIR CDA COURSEWORK WITH OUR PROGRAM! IN ADDITION TO THIS WELL-DESERVED RECOGNITION, STAR STUDENTS RECEIVE AN AMAZON GIFT CARD, COURTESY OF MISS TRISH'S!

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TO APPLY TO BE FEATURED  
AS OUR STUDENT OF THE  
MONTH!



APRIL 2025  
STUDENT OF THE MONTH

**Claritza C.**

Teacher Assistant at The  
Kings Daughter Day School  
Plainfield, NJ

**Why did you choose to earn your CDA and enroll with Miss Trish's?**

"I liked how easy it was to apply. The process was quick and everyone was nice to talk to."

**How do you create an inclusive environment?**

"I am privileged to be bilingual, which helps me tremendously to be able to communicate and being an advocate for my Spanish-speaking families who enter in the center."

**What advice would you give to other Educators thinking about earning their CDA?**

"My advice for Educators thinking about earning their CDA is don't be afraid to take that step to earn your CDA because at the end of the day, it's worth it and it's a big accomplishment."



MAY 2025  
STUDENT OF THE MONTH

**Dena M.**

Teacher at  
Watch us Bloom  
Gloucester City, NJ

**What do you enjoy most about being an Early Childhood Educator?**

"Seeing the children learn and accomplish new goals."

**What are three things you've enjoyed most about Miss Trish's CDA Program?**

- [I can] work at my own pace.
- [The course is] easy to use.
- Fast communication.

**Why did you choose to earn your CDA and enroll with Miss Trish's?**

"To further my education, learn new skills, and better myself."

**What advice would you give to other Educators thinking about earning their CDA?**

"Take it! It's interesting to learn new things."



JUNE 2025  
STUDENT OF THE MONTH

**Karen I.**

Teacher at The Burke  
Foundation Early Childhood  
Center of Princeton YWCA in  
Princeton, NJ

**What advice would you give to other Educators thinking about earning their CDA?**

"I highly recommend doing the CDA program to further enhance your knowledge."

**What are your future goals as an Educator?**

"To be the best educator I can be and support my children and families in whatever they need from me."

**What are three things you've enjoyed most about Miss Trish's CDA Program?**

- Easy online training
- Support when needed
- Do at your own pace

**What do you enjoy most about being an Early Childhood Educator?**

"Seeing my children meet their milestones and helping them achieve them."

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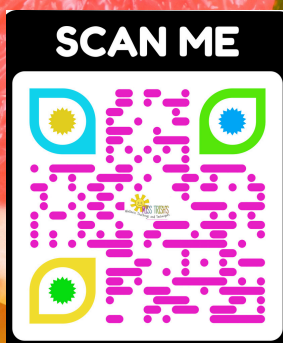
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