Child Care WAGE\$® TENNESSEE

What is Child Care WAGE\$® TENNESSEE?

Child Care WAGE\$® TENNESSEE provides education-based salary supplements to low paid teachers and family child care educators working with children ages birth to five years old. The program is designed to increase retention, education and compensation. Child Care WAGE\$® TENNESSEE is a funded through the Tennessee Department of Human Services. It is administered by Signal Centers.

Who is eligible to receive a salary supplement?

Any child care professional earning at or below the income cap of \$15 per hour may be eligible to participate. Bonuses received from the employer will be included in the calculations to determine hourly rate. The supplement recipient must work with children ages birth to five at least 10 hours a week in a TDHS licensed child care program and must have a level of education appearing on the Child Care WAGE\$® TENNESSEE supplement scale (see reverse for eligible education levels).

How much will I receive?