



## **Apprenticeship for Child Development Specialist Program (ACDS) Instructor's Academy 2017**

Are you interested in an opportunity to offer your knowledge and experience to those employed in the early childhood field? Being an ACDS Instructor will allow you to do just that! As an ACDS Instructor you will be able to:

- deliver a newly designed ACDS curriculum;
- join a team of professionals in the early childhood field;
- share your expertise with others; and
- receive financial incentive for teaching.

The ACDS program will be providing two training opportunities for the newly designed ACDS curriculum. The training dates are:

June 13 – 15, 2017  
Choices Child Care Resource & Referral  
4421 Emerson Avenue  
Parkersburg, WV

June 21 – 23, 2017  
MountainHeart South Child Care Resource & Referral  
228 Ragland Road  
Beckley, WV

The criteria for becoming an ACDS Instructor are as follows:

- Minimum of a bachelor's degree in early childhood education or a related field.
- Minimum of one year experience working directly with young children.
- Registered WV STARS trainer or be able to complete the registry process prior to instructing.

The following must be submitted for review in order to approve participation in the ACDS Instructor's Academy:

- Completed application form.
- Professional Questionnaire (section V on the application form) to be typed on a separate sheet of paper.
- Early Childhood Philosophy (section VI on the application form) to be typed on a separate sheet of paper.

- Professional résumé.
- Copy of your college transcripts.
- Two reference letters: one from an employer and one from a colleague that you have known for at least five years. The letters must be current and should contain relevant knowledge in the education field and training skills.
- Copy of your WV STARS Trainer certificate or application to become a trainer.

Some funding may be available to assist with travel and hotel expenses. If you are interested in becoming an ACDS Instructor, please return the application, required documentation, and the \$50.00 fee (payable to ACDS) by April 28, 2017.

All applications received by April 28, 2017 will be referred to the screening committee. Participants will be notified of the committee's decision on their application by the end of May. Applications received after the April 28, 2017 due date **may not** be considered for this training session.

Applications and documentation may be mailed, emailed or faxed to:

Sherrie Myers, ACDS State Coordinator  
611 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 208  
Huntington, WV 25701  
Email: [smyers@rvcds.org](mailto:smyers@rvcds.org)  
Fax Number: 1-304-697-6613

If you have any questions, you may email Sherrie Myers at [smyers@rvcds.org](mailto:smyers@rvcds.org) or call 1-866-982-2237 or 304-523-0433.



# Application for ACDS Instructor's Academy

Please check which Instructor's Academy you plan to attend:

- June 13 – 15, 2017     June 21 – 23, 2017

**PLEASE PRINT AND COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM.**

Date:			
<b>I. Personal Information</b>			
First Name:		MI:	Last Name:
Mailing Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:      County:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:		E-mail:
<b>II. Employment Information</b>			
Employer:			
Mailing Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:      County:
Current Position:			
Work Phone:	Fax:		E-mail:
<b>III. Educational Information</b>			
Are you a registered WV STARS trainer?		STARS #:	WV STARS Trainer Type:
Please list all degrees held:			
<b>Degree</b>	<b>Major/Minor</b>	<b>Institution(s) Attended</b>	<b>Year Graduated</b>

**Please type sections IV and V on a separate sheet of paper.**

<b>IV. Professional Questionnaire</b>
1. How did you learn about the ACDS program?
2. Reflect on your teaching style in the classroom.
3. How do you think children learn best?
<b>V. Early Childhood Philosophy (Must be at least one page)</b>
1. Describe your early childhood philosophy.

Submit application to:  
 Sherrie Myers, ACDS State Coordinator  
 611 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue Suite 208  
 Huntington, WV 25701  
 Email: [smyers@rvcds.org](mailto:smyers@rvcds.org)

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