

## NYS Early Learning Trainer Credential

### Approved Trainer Levels

<b>Trainer Level</b>	<b>Education Requirements</b>	<b>Direct Service Experience with Children and Families</b>	<b>Experience Providing Professional Development</b>	<b>Renewal Requirements</b>
<b>Credential Level 1</b>	Associates Degree OR 60 college credits AND 18 credits in Early Childhood, Child Development, or a related field	2 years working with children and families	25 hours of documented experience providing professional development within the last three years	Renewable every 3 years  Verification of 30 hours of continuing education related to field.  Verification of at least one training given per year.
<b>Credential Level 2</b>	Bachelor's Degree AND 24 Credits in Early Childhood, Child Development or a related field	3 years working with children and families	45 hours of documented experience providing professional development within the last three years	Renewable every 3 years  Verification of 30 hours of continuing education related to field.  Verification of at least one training given per year.
<b>Credential Level 3</b>	Masters , Ed.D, and/or PhD degree in Early Childhood , Child Development or a related field	4 years working with children and families	60 hours of documented experience providing professional development within the last three years	Renewable every 3 years  Verification of 30 hours of continuing education related to field.  Verification of at least one training given per year.
<b>Verified Specialty Trainer</b> (Approved to provide training only in verified specialty area)	Completion of approved training of trainer course(s) related to specific topics.			Renewable every three years.  Verification of current certification in specialty area.