



STANDARDS FOR ECSATA ADVANCED TRAINER CREDENTIAL

- Advanced credential supporting one’s knowledge and skills as a trainer of trainers
- Advanced credential acknowledges one’s ability to support the professional development of trainers and to facilitate training of trainers
- Documentation by portfolio required. See *ECSATA Advanced Credential & Portfolio Guide* for more information.
- Valid for 3 years as a voluntary credential

MISSION STATEMENT

A professional trainer credential ensures a meaningful standard in order to improve the quality of training. These key values drive our mission:

- ❖ A commitment to the professional growth of early childhood and school age trainers/educators.
- ❖ A commitment to the enhancement of quality training for early childhood and school age practitioners.
- ❖ A commitment to the enhancement of quality care for children and youth.
- ❖ A commitment to inclusiveness in supporting and respecting all stages of trainer/educator professional development.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

STANDARD CATEGORY	ASSESSMENT CRITERIA
EDUCATION	B.A., B.S., or above in a related field, or approved waiver from Credential Committee for B.A., B.S., or above in field unrelated to EC/SA/YD.
EXPERIENCE AS A TRAINER	5 yrs. documented experience as a trainer
EXPERIENCE IN THE EC/SA FIELD	5 years documented experience in the early childhood and/or school age field.
COMMITMENT TO ETHICS	Read & sign MN Code of Ethical Conduct for EC/SA Trainers
COMMITMENT TO ONGOING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge of Adult Education • Knowledge of EC/SA 	Documentation of ongoing professional development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Philosophy Statement • Personal professional development 3 year plan • Documentation of membership in a state or national professional organization. <u>RENEWAL of Credential:</u> Requires documentation of ongoing professional development of 60 clock hours or equivalent experiences, review of personal development 3 year plan, and continued membership in a state or national professional organization..

Resources for Meeting Advanced Credential Standards May Include:

- Financial Aid (contact local colleges and universities) for degree programs.
- T.E.A.C.H. and R.E.E.T.A.I.N. www.mnchildcare.org
- ECSATA Credential Advisors (in development)
- Courses on Adult Education:
 - Teaching the Art of Training, Module 1, Delivery Skills
 - Teaching the Art of Training, Module 2, Design Skills