

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the California ECE Mentor Teacher program at Shasta College. The goal of this program is to provide practicum students with experienced, skilled, and reflective mentor teachers working in classrooms with high quality ratings as ECE student teachers begin their careers in Early Childhood Education. This is a statewide program administered through the community colleges and if you are interested in becoming a mentor teacher you should apply to the program at the college nearest to your work site. A list of colleges and coordinators to contact for an application as well as the state requirements can be found at www.ecementor.org.

If Shasta College is the closest to your work site, please find attached the two parts of the statewide application. Our selection process begins September 15th. By that date all applicants for this annual selection process must have submitted their application, original transcripts, and letters of recommendation to the selection committee. Verification by transcript of successfully completing both a Mentoring and Supervision course (ECE 16 at SC) and a practicum course in ECE are required. See address below.

These will be reviewed. The most qualified applicants selected for site visits and before Fall Semester and applicants will be notified of the decision.

*Please note that if you are not chosen for the first round, selected applicants may be put on a wait list until openings for mentor teachers occur. Usually, that happens when a mentor teacher leaves the program.

Once selected all California Mentors must have a signed agreement from their director or supervisor that the selection committee may visit and conduct a site visit using either the ECERS 3 or NAEYC accreditation process. In addition, mentor teachers must be given time to meet with their practicum students each week. Once selected in order to be part of this program eighteen hours of mentor seminar each year is required, and we schedule these as much as possible at the end of the workday or on a weekend. Currently we are looking for infant, toddler, preschool teacher and family childcare programs serving diverse and full inclusion programs.

After you have read the attached documents if you still have questions, please feel free to contact me at jveich@shastacollege.edu or 530-242-7616.

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Please submit all inquiries to my email address: jveich@shastacollege.edu