



Paraeducator Generalist I Certification

The Paraeducator Generalist I certificate program is delivered in three 30-hour courses. The each class will be held face-to-face with some online work in moodle. ***Participants must have access to the internet and iPad or laptop computer. Please bring your computer to the classes.*** A minimum of 10 hours of practical experience with students demonstrating application of skills and knowledge of the Iowa Paraeducator Competencies shall be successfully completed and prior to completion of this program.

The paraeducator course was collectively developed by the Area Education Agencies offering paraeducator certification programs in Iowa in response to the guidelines developed by the Iowa Board of Educational Examiners (BoEE). It is designed to build the competencies of people interested in becoming paraeducators in Pre-K through 12 classrooms. The six competencies that will be covered include: Ethics and Professional Practice, Foundations, Emotions and Behaviors, Professional Relations, Learning Environment, plus Content and Instruction. Each competency has objectives, lessons, activities, assessments and requirements provided and are completed through face-to-face meetings and/or online moodle units.

Class 1—Introduction to Course

Dates/Times: June 5, 6, 7 and 8; from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day with 1/2 hr. lunch
100% Attendance and active participation is required.

Cost: License Renewal Credit is \$120

Class 2—Instructional Support

Dates/Times: June 12, 13, 14 and 15; from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day with 1/2 hr. lunch
100% Attendance and active participation is required.

Cost: License Renewal Credit is \$120

Class 3—Behavior Support

Dates/Times: June 19, 20, 21 and 22; from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day with 1/2 hr. lunch
100% Attendance and active participation is required.

Cost: License Renewal Credit is \$120

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Location: Pocahontas, AEA Office, 500 NE 6th Street

Facilitators: Kristine Randell, Karen Waid and Val Baker, Prairie Lakes AEA 8

To register click [here](#). Contact Carrie Kee at 800-669-2325 ext. 2101 for questions.

Registration deadline is May 19. MINIMUM OF 10 AND MAXIMUM OF 14.

Send the \$120 registration fee to: Carrie Kee, Prairie Lakes AEA 8, 1235 5th Avenue South, Fort Dodge, IA 50501 by May 19 to be considered registered. Please make check payable to Prairie Lakes AEA 8.

There is a \$20 non-refundable fee for persons canceling after the registration deadline. There will be no refunds for cancellations after the class has started.

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