

## **REACHING FOR THE STARS Primary Caregiver Qualifications**

Primary caregivers in 2 Star family child care homes must meet and maintain a current Oklahoma Professional Development Ladder (OPDL) certificate

Primary caregivers in 3, 4, and 5 Star family child care homes must:

- meet and maintain an Oklahoma Professional Development Ladder (PDL) level of 4 or higher AND
- be trained in ELG
  - 1) at certification for a higher Star level OR
  - 2) new primary caregivers hired or assuming responsibilities after certification are trained within 90 calendar days AND
- be employed onsite on a full-time basis, which is defined as 80 percent of the weekly operating hours

An individual is not counted as a primary caregiver, master teacher, or probationary master teacher in more than one program unless the scheduled hours of employment in each program do not overlap at any given time.

The Oklahoma Professional Development Ladder level requirements can be accessed at: [Criteria - CECPD](#)

To apply for an Oklahoma Professional Development Ladder certificate go to: [Registry - Event Search \(okregistry.org\)](#)