

**Maryland Accreditation Staff Qualifications Standards:**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Early Childhood Educator Licensed Child Care/Head Start</b>	<b>Public School Classroom Educator</b>	<b>Assistant Teacher Licensed Child Care/Head Start</b>	<b>Public School Assistant Teacher and/or Paraprofessional</b>
<b>Staff Qualification Standard</b>	Early Childhood Educator, responsible for the care and education of a group of children from birth through age five, must have at least an <b>Associate's degree</b> in Early Childhood Education/Child Development or related field and must hold a Maryland Child Care Credential of level five.	Classroom Educator must have at least a <b>Bachelor's degree</b> in Early Childhood Education/Child Development or related field and meet Maryland State Certification requirements for early childhood education.	Assistant Teacher working with Early Childhood Teacher must have a <b>high school diploma</b> and Maryland Child Care Credential of <b>level two</b> or higher	Assistant Teacher and/or Paraprofessional working with the Classroom Teacher must have a <b>high school diploma</b> and <b>meet Maryland ParaPro requirements.</b>