



Congratulations BA Graduates!

Martha Aguilar
Danielle Burmark
Janaty Carana
Kiera Cham
Riley Curry
Stevie Ebe
Sara Escobar
Shannon Gilbert
Megan Grable
Alexis Gratton
Roxann Hamilton
Ruth Kellenberger
Jennifer Kelley
Carla Kemper
Ashley Kilgore
Landi Marquis
Teresa McCorkel
Elizabeth McGriff
Parisa Mohamadian
Natasha Roslosnik
Angela Scharbau
Carmen Von Borstel
Venesa Watson

News from Child Care Aware of WA Scholarships



As we enter fall, we acknowledge these are difficult times to be a student. Please know that we see you and we support you.

We are excited to share with you that Child Care Aware of Washington Scholarships is piloting a master's degree scholarship, and Natasha Guerrero, pictured here, is the first graduate. Congratulations Natasha!

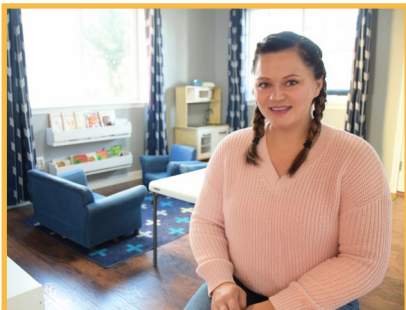
The pilot program began this past January at Eastern Washington University with help and guidance from Dr. Ann Van Wig. The program aims to prepare ECE classroom teachers to become ECE faculty in higher

education. In addition to Natasha, there are six other students in the pilot who are on track to graduate in 2021.

By supporting a Master's pilot program in ECE, CCA of WA Scholarships is hoping to help our state's higher education system meet the demand for ECE faculty. In the pilot stage we are identifying barriers with the goal to offer a full Master's scholarship in the future.



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Scholar Spotlight—Brittany Freeman, Mrs. Brittany's Family Care Home, Oak Harbor

Brittany Freeman strives for excellence in all her endeavors, whether it's running her child care small business, earning her bachelor's degree in ECE, or serving children and families during the pandemic. Brittany expertly juggles

all of it and recently earned an Early Achievers Quality Level of Excellence rating 3+ well ahead of the standard timeline for achieving that milestone.

Brittany has about 15 years of experience in the child care/early learning field and enjoys incorporating different teaching styles in her program, including Montessori and Creative Curriculum. "I feel like each class I take I can incorporate more and more in my program," she said.

She expects to graduate from the University of Washington next spring.

Single Parent, FT Students Are Excused from Work Rules for Child Care Subsidy

The Washington State Department of Children, Youth & Families Working Connections Child Care subsidy program no longer requires single parents who attend college or an approved vocational program full-time to work to maintain their child care subsidy. This change was effective Aug. 1, 2020.

Learn more online: <https://dcyf.wa.gov/news/working-connections-child-care-subsidy-policy-changes>



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Fall Reminders:

Don't forget to reach out if you need support during these difficult times. We have lists of food pantries at the colleges our scholars attend:

- English—<https://childcareawarewa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Food-Pantry-List-FINAL.pdf>
- Spanish—<https://childcareawarewa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Food-Pantry-List-Spanish-FINAL-1.pdf>

Updated Grades—Please be on the lookout for an email from us about submitting grades. Updated transcripts can be sent to: scholarships@wa.childcareaware.org.



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