



# Smart Start Professional Planning Services

## 2009-2010 Graduation Bonus Application (Receive up to \$350!)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home/Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of child care facility: \_\_\_\_\_

Facility address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of employment (month/year): \_\_\_\_\_ # of hours worked per week: \_\_\_\_\_

Position (ex. Lead Teacher, Teacher, Administrator, FCCH owner/operator): \_\_\_\_\_

Ages of children you serve: \_\_\_\_\_ # of children you serve: \_\_\_\_\_

College from which you graduated (or anticipate graduating this Spring): \_\_\_\_\_

What is your major? \_\_\_\_\_

### FACTS

- Applicants must be currently working in a star-licensed child care facility in New Hanover County, serving children ages birth to five (employees serving only school-age children are not eligible).
- Applicants must have graduated/or anticipate **graduating between July 1, 2009 and May 30, 2010** with an Associate or Bachelor Degree in Early Childhood Education (or closely related degree such as Education of Young Children, Birth-Kindergarten Education, or Child Development).
- Official transcripts are due to our office by June 4, 2010 and will be verified before a bonus is issued.
- Smart Start Professional Planning Services staff will verify the employment of eligible applicants.
- Applicants may be eligible for up to \$350 upon graduation. Bonuses will be issued on or before June 30, 2010.

I have read the fact sheet and application carefully. To the best of my knowledge everything on the application is correct. I understand that the funding for the **Graduation Bonus** is dependent and contingent upon approval from the North Carolina Partnership for Children and availability of funds from the state of North Carolina, as approved by the N.C. General Assembly. I understand that, in order to be eligible for this incentive, I must be in good standing with Smart Start of New Hanover County (ex. no outstanding fees or resources).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Due Date: Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010 by 7:00pm**

An official transcript indicating your degree awarded is due to our office by June 4, 2010.

- Transcript attached
- Transcript will be sent

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