

Classroom Assessment Scoring System® (CLASS®) Assessor- Endorsement Requirements

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A CLASS® Assessor is a professional who conducts on-site observations for early childhood programs participating in Bright & Early, North Dakota's Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS). The CLASS® Assessor must maintain certification and reliability in the Infant, Toddler, and/or Pre-K CLASS® observation tool.

Two endorsements are available: Primary and Provisional.

Early Childhood Workforce Registry Membership

Must be a current member of the Registry

Education

Provisional - Obtained a [Career Pathway](#) placement of Category E or Higher

Primary - Obtained a [Career Pathway](#) placement of Category G or Higher

Certification

Both Primary and Provisional - Has a current Infant, Toddler, and/or Pre-K CLASS® Reliability Certificate from Teachstone®.

Endorsement Duration

Provisional - the endorsement is valid for twelve (12) months with no more than two (2) renewals.

Primary - endorsement is valid for three (3) years.

Required Training

Both Primary and Provisional - The following training must be verified on the individual's Registry Learning Record as completed prior to application for the primary endorsement.

Training Details	Hours	Training Sponsor
Getting Started	15	ND Department of Health and Human Services
Safe Sleep or SIDS	1	ND Department of Health and Human Services
Relationship Based Professional Development Event Entry	1.5	ND Department of Health and Human Services
Infant, Toddler, and/or Pre-K CLASS® Observation Training	5+	Teachstone®