Child Development Associate Code of Ethics

As an individual who works with young children, I commit myself to furthering the values of early childhood education as they are reflected in the NAEYC Code of Ethical Conduct.

To the best of my ability, I will:

- Ensure that programs for young children are based on current knowledge of child development and early childhood education
- Respect and support families in their tasks of nurturing children
- Respect colleagues in early childhood education and support them in maintaining the NAEYC Code of Ethical Conduct
- Serve as an advocate for children, their families, and their teachers in community and society
- Maintain high standards of professional conduct
- Recognize how personal values, opinions and biases can affect professional judgment
- Be open to new ideas and be willing to learn from the suggestions of others
- Continue to learn, grow and contribute as a professional
- Honor the ideals and principles of the NAEYC Code of Ethical Conduct

The Statement of Commitment expresses those basic personal commitments that individuals must make in order to align themselves with the profession’s responsibilities as set forth in the NAEYC Code of Ethical Conduct.

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Signature        Date