

Human Resource Services Cluster



Early Childhood Education Program

PROGRAM OF STUDY OVERVIEW:

The Early Childhood Education Program is designed to prepare students for continuing education in preparation to be public school teachers and/or child care providers in family and group care settings. Students completing the course sequence of study may articulate community college credit and/or qualify for the Level 2 Maryland Child Care Credential.



Entrance Grades	Introduction to Early Childhood Education 1 Credit	Child Development 1 Credit	Preschool Child Care 1 Credit	Infant and Toddler Care 1 Credit COMPLETER	Work-Based Learning Experience (optional)
10 th Grade Entrance	Fall Sophomore	Spring Sophomore	Fall Junior	Spring Junior	Senior
11 th Grade Entrance	Fall Junior	Spring Junior	Fall Senior	Spring Senior	Senior PM

IN THIS PROGRAM

Students will:

- Study the physical, cognitive, psychological, and social growth and development of children;
- Use a conceptual framework for understanding the role of the early childhood professional and the variety of related services in the field of education in the context of society with an emphasis on current issues, trends, and practices;
- Study the design and implementation of preschool curriculum with emphasis on language development, mathematics, science, and the arts; and
- Design and implement age appropriate activities for infants, toddlers, and preschool aged children.

COURSE SEQUENCE

- Introduction to Early Childhood Education (A)
- Child Development (A)
- Preschool Child Care (A)
- Infant and Toddler Care (A)
- Work-Based Learning Experience (optional)

(A) articulates college credit

For course descriptions, please see the WCPS Course Catalog @ <https://www.worcesterk12.com/>

STUDENT ORGANIZATION



CERTIFICATIONS

- ParaPro
- CPR/First Aid

EARLY COLLEGE CREDIT PARTNERS

