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to start for

# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION



The Early Childhood Education Program is designed to provide the skills needed to secure employment as a teaching assistant in a childcare center, preschool, or elementary school. Students enrolled in the program receive training in the classroom setting and in the on-site licensed child care facility. Leadership skills are taught through the integration of the FCCLA student organization. Students considering a career in education, child psychology, pediatric medicine, social work, or other child-related occupations are encouraged to enroll in the ECE program. Students who successfully complete the ECE Program may earn transferable college credit to any participating community college in the state of Colorado if certain grade requirements are met.

ECE has a "Program Articulation Agreement" with the Colorado Community College System. The benefit agreement provides a smooth transition for secondary students who wish to continue their education after graduation in a post-secondary transfer or career and technical program.

The student must submit a completed Name of College application form including a copy of his/her high school transcript and the verification sheet attached from the high school Family and Consumer Sciences instructor. Students must have met all of the competencies for the course at the High School.

A student transcribing articulated credits to Colorado Community College must have a minimum grade of "B" (80%) or better to receive articulated credit. This course will be accepted as if it was completed at the college.

The Early Childhood Education 101 course which has been approved for articulation credit in this agreement will be transcribed with appropriate course title: Early Childhood Education 101.

#### Current Approved ECE 101 Programs:

- Arapahoe Community College
- Community College of Aurora
- Community College of Denver
- Colorado Northwester Community College
- Front Range Community College
- Lamar Community College
- Morgan Community College
- Northeastern Junior College
- Ortero Junior College
- Pikes Peak Community College
- Pueblo Community College
- Red Rocks Community College
- Trinidad State Junior College

#### Estimated Costs:

**Heart Saver Course Charge Supplies:** \$20.00 (*additional supplies from bookstore needed*)

**Heart Saver CPR Online Certification Course:** \$30.00 (*plus tax*)

**Student ID:** \$10.00

**CTSO Charge:** \$20.00/yearly

**Tuition:** \$1600.00

**Estimated Total:** \$1680.00

Based on Colorado Resident In-State Tuition\*\*

*Additional costs may apply. All books, kits & supply costs are estimated. Cost, information, and classes are subject to change at any time.*

*This certificate is not eligible for Financial Aid. If you have further questions, please call (303)344-4910, ext 27797.*

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**Certificate length:** 2 Semesters

#### Class hours

7:50-10:40 am, M, T, W, Th, F

OR

12:05-2:55 pm, M, T, W, Th, F

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#### Course Work:

- Introduction to Early Childhood Education\*
- Early Childhood Education Lab Techniques
- Internship/Kids Tech Childcare Center

\* Introduction to Early Childhood Education is a prerequisite to Early Childhood Education Lab Techniques.

#### VSD 8536 Early Childhood Education

Credit: 3.0 Practical Arts/Secondary credits

Grades: 10 (if 16 years old), 11, 12

  
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