

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATOR

Program Outline

This career path involves working with young children from birth to age five. Early Childhood Educators create and deliver educational programs to support children’s learning and growth.

Students who successfully complete the program meet provincial eligibility requirements to apply for certification as an Early Childhood Education Assistant in British Columbia.

This program leads to further certificate and diploma programs.

Application Process - apply in Grade 11

Start by visiting careerprograms.vsb.bc.ca to download an application. Students are encouraged to discuss the application with a school counsellor and family.

Application Deadline	March 1st
Interview Period	March - April
Acceptance Decisions	April - May
Orientation Session	June

Specific details about the Orientation Session will be included in the acceptance letter. Students must attend along with a parent or guardian.

Program Location & Intake Dates

The program runs 5 days a week from September through January at Langara College. It includes a 100 hour practicum in a licensed childcare setting. Students are encouraged to complete remaining graduation requirements before the program begins.

Additional Information

Eligibility

This program is available to students who hold Canadian citizenship or Permanent Resident status and who attend a Vancouver School Board school or alternative program.

Required Documentation

Criminal Record Check (after acceptance)

Recommended Courses or Experiences

English 12 (70% or higher) prior to start of program
Any Leadership or Peer Tutoring course
Volunteer experience with young children

Funding Commitment

Tuition will be paid by the VSB for the first level of training. Students are expected to pay for program supplies, equipment, books, and PPE - approximately \$800.

Graduation Credits

Dual-Credit Program - 16 credits

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This Dual Credit Program is offered through a partnership between the Vancouver School Board and Langara College.

