



The purpose of early childhood education is to prepare young children emotionally, socially and mentally for formal schooling and to help prevent poor performance struggles when they begin school.

*Many career and technical education (CTE) courses offer technical competency credits. Instructors inform students of these opportunities and encourage them to consider the benefits of joining a related professional organization which provides students opportunities to participate in related competitions and develop strong leadership skills.*

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## Overview

### Early Childhood Education

training is offered through the Career & Technical



Education (CTE) Center - Meridian Campus. The sequence of classes are intended to prepare students for employment in entry level positions in the field of early childhood care and related services. These classes are meaningful for future parents, educators, medical professionals or any human development related career.



#### Program Requirement:

Students must pass a background check to participate.

#### Certification:

Pediatric CPR/First Aid with AED

## Course Offerings

### Home High School 10th Grade Prerequisite:

#### Parenting and Child Development—

is the beginning class of the program. The learning is focused on the understanding of growth and development of children and parenting/teaching skills such as positive guidance, discipline techniques, building strong relationships, health, nutrition and safety practices. The class includes the opportunity to work directly with 3-5 year-old children in order to practice organizing and running developmentally appropriate activities.



FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America) student leadership activities are an integral part of this program.

## CTE Center traveling classes:

### Early Childhood Education—

In this junior-targeted class, students are expected to gain a deeper understanding of child development. Instruction targets employability skills and covers child care laws, standards and what constitutes successful childcare practices. Positive guidance and classroom management strategies are also emphasized along with necessary nutrition, health and safety protocols expected to be followed when students engage in student-to-child interactions. Students are taught Adult, Child and Infant CPR/First Aid and will have an opportunity to earn a CPR certification.



### Advanced Early Childhood Education—

This senior-level class includes an internship opportunity at a local early childhood center assisting with infants, toddlers, &/or children with special needs. Students must provide transportation to their internship. In addition to these interactive experiences, the class content covers the necessary skills needed to management the day-to-day operations of a child care center including the importance of record keeping, how to arrange the physical learning space of a classroom and additional relevant responsibilities in order to successfully teach and manage a classroom, childcare center or provide assistance as a paraprofessional. Students may earn or renew their CPR credentials.