



Early Childhood Education 1

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This semester course introduces students to child-related careers and the Child Development Associate Credential (CDA). Instruction is given regarding developmentally appropriate practices (DAP) and curriculum and facility design for young children. Early Childhood Education lab training may be a part of the course. Student leadership and competitive events (FCCLA) is integrated into this course. Previous completion of the Child Development course is **REQUIRED**.

STRANDS

Identify and/or demonstrate Developmentally Appropriate Practices (DAP).

Develop and/or implement age appropriate curriculum for young children.

Evaluate the quality of various early childhood programs and review requirements for obtaining the Child Development Associate (CDA) credential.

SKILL CERTIFICATION PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES: Test #325

- Evaluate a developmentally appropriate learning environment.
- Create a developmentally appropriate English Language Arts lesson plan; include objective, content area, concepts, procedure, rationale and transitions.
- Keep an ongoing log of CDA professional education and work experience hours.