

**MERIDIAN TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2026-2027 RELATED
EXPENSES**

**Early Childcare and Education Master Teacher
REQ'D FOR CAREER MAJOR**

Item		Master Teacher	Cost	Expenses Covered by Tuition
Online Course-Entry Level Child Care Training (ELCCT).		Y	\$20.00	N
Head phones only- no earbuds		Y	\$35.00	N
USB Flash		Y	\$25.00	N
FCCLA-CTSO		N	\$18.00	Y
Pencils #2 wood - 1 Pkg		Y	\$5.00	N
1 inch 3 Ring Binder		Y	\$5.00	N
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$90.00		
Tuition		\$2,880.00		
Hours		960		



Career Major: **Early Childcare and Education Master Teacher**

Cost of Attendance- 960 Clock Hours

Cost of Attendance(COA) is used to give adults an idea of what the full cost of attending school will be for each year. There are Direct and Indirect costs included in the COA. Your specific indirect costs may be different than what is listed below.

Total Cost of Attendance 2026-2027				
		Dependent		Independent
		In-District	Out-of-District	In-District Out-of-District
Direct	Tuition and Fees	\$2,880.00	\$5,760.00	\$2,880.00 \$5,760.00
Indirect	Books/Course Materials/Supplies/Equipment	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00 \$90.00
	Total program related expenses	\$2,970.00	\$5,850.00	\$2,970.00 \$5,850.00
Indirect	Housing/Utilities & Meals	\$5,364.00	\$5,364.00	\$11,314.00 \$11,314.00
Indirect	Transportation	\$1,134.00	\$1,134.00	\$2,393.00 \$2,393.00
Indirect	Miscellaneous	\$3,816.00	\$3,816.00	\$8,050.00 \$8,050.00
Indirect	Licensure/Certification Cost	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00
	Estimated cost of Attendance	\$13,284.00	\$16,164.00	\$24,727.00 \$27,607.00

Definitions

Direct costs are items that will appear on your Meridian Invoice, such as tuition and fees.

Indirect costs will not appear on your invoice but are **estimated** costs associated with going to college and should be included in your personal budget. Most of these costs would be incurred whether you attend school or not. These include items like books, transportation, housing and personal expenses.

Dependent students are under 24 years old, are not married and have no dependents. Still required to list parents on FAFSA.

Independent students are any students who do not fall into the dependent student definition.

In-District students currently live within one of the districts that we serve.

Out-of-District students are charged double tuition, due to living outside of the Meridian district. (Exceptions can be made if program is not available at students closest Tech center.)

*all tuition costs provided are for the full career major. If you enroll as half-time, you may not incur the full tuition amount during the 26-27 school year.

*indirect costs are based on the Consumer Price Index as of December 2025. Source: US Department of Labor.