Education
College & Career Pathway Endorsement (Early Childhood, Elementary, Secondary)

Overview

The College & Career Pathway Endorsement (CCPE) is awarded to students who complete specific courses and Work-Based Learning opportunities in their identified career pathway. This typically includes four semesters of content-specific coursework, six hours of early-college credit, 60 hours of pathway-specific work experience, and supplemental activities such as Team-Based Challenges and other opportunities that increase students' exploration of the endorsement area. Please note that classes may be taken at LHS or Wilco Area Career Center as noted in the Courses section.

Work-Based Learning

Team-Based Challenges, Mentoring

Students will solve real-world scenarios as part of their coursework in this program. Creating lesson plans and learning activities, solving student achievement issues, and exploring emerging topics in education are all explored in the context of group problem solving with industry mentors.

60 hours of Career Development Experience

Students in this pathway will have career experiences with the Wilco Area Career Center's daycare and doing shadowing or assisting in Lemont's district grade schools. These opportunities give students insight into typical work environments and duties to help determine the fit of this career pathway.

Post-secondary Educational Programs

For students who want to continue their education and training in this pathway, there are several options. These local institutions have Education programs that use the dual credits earned in this CCPE:

Lewis University:

- Bachelor of Arts, Early Childhood Education

University of St. Francis:

- Bachelor of Arts, Elementary Education
- Bachelor of Arts, Secondary Education

Joliet Junior College:

- AAS in Child Development
- Child Development Certificate
- Infant, Toddler, and Twos Educator Certificate

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Courses

Course	Description/Details
Introduction to Family and Consumer Sciences	**Grade 9** Location: LHS Two semesters No early college credit
Child Development and Parenting	**Grade 9/10** Location: LHS Two semesters No early college credit
Care and Learning Services Management	**Grade 11** Location: Wilco Two semesters Six credit hours of early college credit (JJC: CDEV 137 & CDEV 201)
Early Childhood Education	**Grade 12** Location: Wilco Two semesters Six credit hours of early college credit (JJC: CDEV 101 & CDEV 216)
Education Workplace Experience	**Grade 11/12** Location: Wilco Two semesters Three credit hours of early college credit (JJC: EDUC 101) Or Teaching Internship @ LHS Location: Lemont grade schools Two semesters Three credit hours of early college credit (COD: EDUCA 1100)