

STANDARDS FOR CAREER READY PRACTICE

- Apply appropriate technical skills and academic knowledge
- Communicate clearly, effectively, and with reason
- Develop an education and career plan aligned with personal goals.
- Apply technology to enhance productivity.
- Utilize critical thinking to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
- Practice personal health and understand financial literacy.
- Act as a responsible citizen in the workplace and the community.
- Model integrity, ethical leadership, and effective management.
- Work productively in teams while integrating cultural and global competence.
- Demonstrate creativity and innovation.
- Employ valid and reliable research strategies
- Understand the environmental, social, and economic impacts of decisions.

The AC²E Vision

The Academy for College and Career Excellence, in partnership with our parents and community, strives to create a safe environment where students are empowered to discover their strengths and to achieve their maximum potential. Students are encouraged to become lifelong learners who are prepared to meet the challenges of a culturally diverse society along with the demands of current and future job markets.

ROP/CTE COURSES OFFERED

(Not all courses are offered each semester)

- 911 Communications Dispatcher*
- Private Security Guard*
- Criminal Justice
- Early Childhood Development
- Culinary Arts
- Woodworking Occupations
- Furniture & Cabinet Manufacturing
- Cyber Security*
- Unmanned Aircraft Systems*
- Pharmacy Technician*
- Medical Assistant
- Registered Dental Assistant*

*Open to adults

Populations Served

- Black Rock High School
- Twentynine Palms High School
- Yucca Valley High School
- Adult Learners

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Early Childhood Development





Course Description

Early Childhood Development provides students with specific training for occupations as a pre-school teacher, infant teacher, before and after school care teacher, family day care provider, foster care parent, teacher aide, camp counselor and recreation aide. Instruction includes: child development, learning environment design, behavior management, working with special needs, child health and safety, trends in education, multicultural education principles, instructional strategies, curriculum and lesson plans, and laws and regulations relating to early childhood education services. Career preparations standards, which include basic academic, communication, and interpersonal and problem-solving skills are integrated throughout the course. Students may have the opportunity to train in an early childhood education facility and apply knowledge and skills.

Why Early Childhood Development?

Are you the kind of person who wants to have an impact on the future? There are dozens of wonderful careers in the field of child development and early care and education (ECE). There are also other work opportunities where knowledge of child development is important. The field of ECE needs trained, creative educators and caregivers to provide high quality services to young children and families in a variety of settings, including Head Start and State Preschool, full-day early care and education, and before-and-after school supervised enrichment.

In child development and early childhood education (ECE) there are three primary work settings: child care and development centers including infant/toddler and preschool programs for children under age 6; family child care homes; and school age programs either at a school site or a community setting.



Whether your ambition is to be the lead teacher in a classroom, to operate your business from your home, or to develop a specialization that takes you out of the classroom, education and training are the keys to success. You can begin at one occupation, and continue to obtain your education while you work so that you can take advantage of promotional opportunities to move into the career/occupation of your choice when you are ready.

Career Outlook

Employment of childcare workers is projected to grow 2 percent from 2019 to 2029, slower than the average for all occupations. Parents or guardians who work will continue to need the assistance of childcare workers. In addition, the demand for preschools and childcare facilities, and consequently childcare workers, should remain strong because early childhood education is widely recognized as important for a child's intellectual and emotional development.

Continuing Education Opportunities

- AA in Early Childhood Education
- Certificate of Achievement – Child Development: Teacher
- Certificate of Achievement - Child Development: Associate Teacher

Career Options in Child Development

- Instructional Assistant
- Child Development Teacher
- Preschool Teacher



Sample Salaries in Child Development Careers*

Teacher assistant:	\$29,320
Preschool teacher:	\$33,886
Child day care services:	\$25,590

*Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics