

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Priscilla Spencer, Instructor

INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

- CPR
- First Aid
- NOCTI Certification
- Daily Health Screening
- Child Development Associate—CDA
- Early Childhood Education
- Early Childhood Education and Care, Advanced
- Early Childhood Education and Care, Basic
- National Career Readiness
- Workplace Readiness Skills for the Commonwealth

POSSIBLE CAREER PATHWAYS

- Teacher (Elementary)
- Child Care Development Teacher
- Director/Administrator
- Pediatric Nurse
- Social Worker

COLLEGE AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

- Know How Virginia
www.knowhowvirginia.org/
- Tidewater Community College
www.tcc.edu/
- College Board
www.collegeboard.com/
- Virginia Career View
www.vaview.vt.edu/
- Bryant and Stratton College
www.bryantstratton.edu/
- Career Connection
<http://jobs.hamptonroads.com/>

STARTING SALARY

\$36,200 - \$54,890

Earning may vary by specialty

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, *Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2016-17 Edition*, Kindergarten and Elementary School Teachers, on the Internet at

<http://www.bls.gov/ooh/education-training-and-library/child-care-and-elementary-school-teachers.htm>

**The Early Childhood course participates in the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America co-curricular club.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Early Childhood Education is a two-year course consisting of concepts and learning experiences related to the care and education of young children. Learning about child development theories and health and safety are key components of the class. Students will gain an understanding of the physical, social-emotional, and cognitive development of young children. This course provides a healthy developmental environment for young children while students develop competencies for entry into the early childhood education profession. Designed for eleventh and twelfth grade students, this course includes supervised laboratory experiences, on-the-job training through internship experiences, and job shadowing experiences in various early childhood settings.

PROGRAM CONTENTS/SKILLS

- Demonstrating Workplace Readiness Skills: Personal Qualities and People Skills
- Demonstrating Workplace Readiness Skills: Professional Knowledge and Skills
- Examining All Aspects of an Industry
- Addressing Elements of Student Life
- Balancing Work and Family
- Providing a Positive, Safe, and Healthy Learning Environment
- Promoting Physical, Cognitive, Language, Social, and Emotional Development
- Creating a Curriculum Responsive to Participants' Needs
- Promoting Positive and Productive Relationships with Families
- Maintaining Careers and Professionalism
- Seeking Employment in Early Childhood Education and Related Careers

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