



Early Childhood Development & Services

Cluster Overview: Preparing individuals for employment in career pathways that relate to families and human needs.

Career Goal (O*NET Code): **Preschool Teacher** (25-2011), Special Education Teacher, Preschool (25-2041), Child Care Worker (39-9011), Preschool & Child Care Program Administrator (11-9031), Teacher Assistant (25-9041).

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____

School: _____

SUGGESTED COURSEWORK

EXTENDED LEARNING EXPERIENCES

Middle School	8th	HS Courses:		Curricular Experiences: Family, Career and Community Leaders of America Texas Association of Future Educators	Extracurricular Experiences: Language Immersion Programs Peer Mediation Red Cross Courses School Newspaper Student Government UIL Academic Competitions Yearbook
	9th	Core Courses:	English I Algebra I Biology		
10th		Career-Related Electives:	Principles of Human Services or Principles of Education and Training		Service Learning Experiences: Before/After-School Assistant Community Service Volunteer FACTS Families First Ready, Set, Read! Summer-Camp Counselor
	11th	Core Courses:	English II Geometry Chemistry	World History Languages other than English II	
12th		Career-Related Electives:	Child Development or Interpersonal Studies or Food Science		
	11th	Core Courses:	English III Algebra II Physics	United States History	
12th		Career-Related Electives:	Teacher Preparation I or Languages other than English III		
	12th	Core Courses:	English IV AP Statistics AP Environmental Science	Government/Economics Fine Arts	COLLEGE CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES -- High School Students should take Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), dual credit, Advanced Technical Credit (ATC), or locally articulated courses (Tech Prep), if possible. List those courses that count for college credit on your campus.
Career-Related Electives:		Teacher Preparation II or Languages other than English IV			
On-the-Job Training		Child Care Worker Educational Aide	Library Assistant Preschool Aide/Worker	Teachers Assistant	Professional Associations: Association of Texas Professional Educators International Nanny Association National Association for Family Child Care National Association for the Education of Young Children National Child Care Association National Education Association PHI DELTA KAPPA International Texas Classroom Teachers Association Texas Community College Teachers Association Texas State Teachers Association
		NOTE: These experiences may be started and/or completed as part of the high school experience.			
Certificates		Child Development Associate	Educational Aide	OSHA CareerSafe	Career Options: Educational Aide I Nanny Library Assistant
		NOTE: Students may earn all or part of these certificates as part of the high school experience.			
Postsecondary	Associate Degrees	Teaching: Specialization in EC4; EC-ESL; EC-Gen Child Care & Guidance	Child Development Childcare Technology Early Childhood Professions	Education Education Aide Teacher Assistant/Aide	Career Options: After-School Program Supv. Teaching Assistant Child Care Worker Lead Teacher Social Services Aide Child Life Specialist Preschool--Elementary Teacher Special Education Teacher Child Care Director/Owner Education Administrator Special Education Specialist University Instructor or Professor
	Bachelor Degrees	Child Development Early Childhood Education	Family & Consumer Sciences Human Dev & Family Studies	Early Childhood through 4th Grade with a specialization	
	Graduate Degrees	Administration Child Development	Early Childhood Education Educational Administration Elementary Education	Human Dev & Family Studies Special Education	

Students may select other elective courses for personal enrichment purposes.

This plan of study serves as a guide, along with other career planning materials, for pursuing a career path and is based on the most recent information as of 2009. All plans meet high school graduation requirements as well as college entrance requirements.