

What do I need?

Whilst you are taking part in the course you will be required to always:

- Wear the appropriate clothing.
- Be ready to start your classes at the given time.
- Adhere to the School Pupils Code of Commitment.

Mobile phones are not permitted in the classroom. Eating and drinking is not permitted in the classroom. Drinking water is available from water dispensers in the corridors within the college buildings.

How will I be assessed?

To achieve the course award you must successfully complete the 3 mandatory units and one optional unit. Assessment will be based on test and case studies along with project work and a folio.

Each unit will be supported by a NAB (National Assessment Bank Item) which will provide an assessment package and exemplify the national standard.

This course will show on your final Exam Certificate as an Intermediate 2 award.

What can I do after this course?

This course may provide candidates with opportunities to progress to:

- National Certificate in Early Education and Childcare
- Further Education
- Training/employment.

Who should I speak to about this course?

If you are interested in this course and want to find out more about it you should speak to your Guidance Teacher at school.



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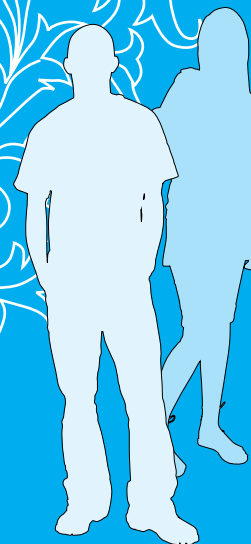
Time to choose?



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Aberdeen College School Links

**Skills for Work
Early Education & Childcare
Intermediate 2**



Information for Pupils and Parents

Your school has joined with Aberdeen College to offer you the opportunity to undertake a vocational qualification as part of your school studies. This information leaflet is designed to answer your questions and explain a bit about the course you will be taking.

What is it?

Early Education and Childcare is a well established industry with a number of qualifications available ranging from National Qualifications and SVQs to University degrees. By completing this Course you will be developing important skills which can be used if you want to develop your skills further by undertaking training and qualifications on leaving school, or an opportunity to enter suitable employment.

Skills for Work Early Education and Childcare is a National Course available in various colleges throughout Scotland. The emphasis of this Course is to help you prepare for working in the early education and childcare sector and to develop employability skills. You will develop a range of knowledge and skills required in this vocational area. The Course is designed as an introduction to Early Education and Childcare at Intermediate 2 level and gives you an understanding of the demands and responsibilities of working in the sector. It also provides suitable progression for those who have studied the Intermediate 1 Early Education and Childcare Course.

What will I learn?

During this course you will:

- Study issues related to the health and development of children aged 0–12 years
- Learn how play can benefit the child and how to plan, set up and review play experiences either in a real or simulated environment
- Learn about working within the early education and childcare sector
- Develop some of the skills, qualities and attitudes needed to work with children and young people
- Develop an understanding of the role of the parent
- Learn about the specific needs of the baby and the continuing needs of the child
- Develop your communication skills

- Develop aspects of the core skills Working with Others
- Develop and awareness of health and safety issues and develop good practice in maintaining a tidy and safe environment
- Be prepared for further learning opportunities, study and training opportunities in the area of Early Education and Childcare.

How will I be taught?

You will be taught by means of practical based activities either in the Childcare Unit at school or within Aberdeen College by a College lecturer. This course will be delivered on a full day per week basis over 1 year. You will study by means of individual research, group activities, practical activities, viewing videos and through course booklets provided by the College.

You will be expected to demonstrate:

- Good time keeping skills
- A willingness to learn
- Planning and preparation skills
- An ability to establish and maintain good working relationships with others
- Problem solving skills
- An ability to review and identify how your skills are developing.

What will I study?

The course is made up of the following 6 units. You must complete 4 to successfully achieve the award. The first 3 units are mandatory and you will study one from the other 3 which the College will decide.

- Child Development and Health
- Play in Early Education and Childcare
- Working in Early Education and Childcare
- Parenting
- Care and Feeding of Children
- First Aid.