

Level 3

Early Years Educator

TYPICAL DURATION: 18 MONTHS



Role Profile

This occupation involves providing high-quality early education and care for children from birth to age 5 in various settings. Early years educators follow the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) requirements and interact with children, parents, carers, colleagues, and other professionals. They ensure a safe and inclusive learning environment, facilitate children's learning through play, and support children's progress and development through observation, assessment, and planning. They may act as the key person for one or more children and may play a leadership role under supervision.

Additional Requirements

English and maths qualifications may be required in line with the apprenticeship funding rules

Paediatric First Aid or Emergency Paediatric First Aid

Course Content

During their apprenticeship, individuals gain skills, knowledge, and behaviours in their chosen role and industry. This includes duties such as; Health and Wellbeing, Legislation, Play, Development and Learning for School readiness, Safeguarding, Speech, Language and Communication needs, Diversity, equality and inclusion. Special Educational Need and Disabilities (SEND)

Apprenticeship Assessment

This Apprenticeship has 2 assessment methods.

- Observation of practice with questions
- Professional Discussion underpinned by a portfolio of evidence

Typical Job Roles

Childminder assistant

Early Years Educator

Early Years Worker

Nursery Educator Nursery Nurse

Nursery Worker

Further Information

This standard aligns with the following professional recognition:
Department for Education for Full and relevant at Level 3

Awarding Body

NCFE

Progression Routes

Early Years Lead Practitioner