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**Cooperative Education (Co-op)** placements give students numerous valuable on-the-job experiences as an employee for a local business. Recent opportunities have included the Corry Area School District- Little Beavers Preschool and district elementary schools; Corry Alliance Childcare and Learning Center, and the YMCA of Corry Childcare Center. Fourth-quarter juniors and seniors are eligible pending classroom grades of 85% or higher and teacher recommendations.



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### Early Childhood Education



Career and Technical  
Education Program:  
CIP: 19.0708  
Child Care and Support  
Services Management

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

This program is a three-year course that is a PDE approved Program of Study (SOAR), for high school students in grades 10 through 12. The curriculum incorporates competency-based tasks with classroom knowledge applied to practical hands-on experiences as students

plan, prepare, and operate a preschool program for local children.

Instruction will be included in all areas such as growth and development, nutrition, program planning and management, safety, behavior guidance, play activities, child abuse and neglect, parent-child personal relationships, learning experiences for children, professionalism, standards, curriculum and assessment, curriculum development, clinical experiences, and job seeking/keeping skills. Students meeting grade requirements and receiving teacher recommendation may participate in the co-op program. The NOCTI exam will be given to all seniors, and a PA Skills Certificate will be awarded to students scoring advanced in both the written and performance components. Hours will be compiled over the 3 years and awarded upon graduation enabling higher level entry job positions and pay.



### Possible Certifications:

- \*American Red Cross Adult and Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED
- \*ServSafe Food Handler
- \*Mandated Reporter Training
- \*Fire Safety
- \*Building Blocks for Quality Care in Childcare Centers
- \*CDA (Child Development Associate) credential—pending successful achievement of specific components and assessments.

## COURSE OBJECTIVES:

While completing the Early Childhood Education program, the student will:

- \*Follow school, classroom and clinical rules and regulations.
- \*Identify, investigate and analyze various components of professionalism as it relates to the early childhood field.
- \*Demonstrate numerous health and safety guidelines and best practices for children.
- \*Examine and evaluate appropriate learning environments.
- \*Identify and research theory and characteristics related to child development.
- \*Observe, use, and analyze various classroom management and positive guidance techniques.
- \*Follow PA Early Learning Standards, prepare curriculum and use assessments based on observations.
- \*Prepare, present and evaluate numerous learning activities and experiences.
- \*Enhance program partnerships with families and the local community.
- \*Participate in clinical experiences for infants, toddlers, preschoolers, elementary and special needs students.
- \*Be respectful of others and be responsible towards peers, teachers, parents and children.



## PRESCHOOL:

The hands-on preschool program is offered to community families providing age appropriate experiences for local 3, 4, and 5 year olds. This program is free of charge and runs from early October through May. For additional information, please contact Mrs. McCray or Ms. Sampsell at the high school (814-664-4677).



## OCCUPATIONS RELATED TO EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION:

- ~Teacher- early childhood/preschool or elementary
- ~Dance, art, music or sports instructor
- ~Childcare worker
- ~Teacher's aide
- ~Social and human services assistant
- ~Program directors
- ~Counselors

