



Early Childhood Education

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"I can tell that I am making a difference at my school because of what I learned at LWTech."

—Gina, Early Childhood Education graduate

The Associate in Applied Science (AAS) degree in Early Childhood Education at Lake Washington Institute of Technology prepares students for a rewarding career planning, implementing, and evaluating quality programs for young children. Early Childhood Education workers help positively shape children's formative years to prepare them for successful futures. The Early Childhood

Education program at LWTech follows the standards set for the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).



Average WA State Salary* **\$25,204/yr.**

Average Wage in WA State* **\$12/hr.**



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Program Highlights

Experienced instructors work with Early Childhood Education students, both inside and outside the classroom setting, as mentors assisting them in professional application of age-appropriate best practices. Early Childhood Education students at LWTech:

- Learn theory, current research, and best practices.
- Obtain a solid foundation for all coursework in a supportive environment.
- Gain experience inside and outside a classroom setting.
- Develop a solid foundation for working in a variety of early learning settings.

Graduates find employment in preschools, childcare facilities, Head Start programs and family child care. Some graduates may pursue careers in management as directors or program supervisors.

* All program Industry at a Glance statistics come from the Employment Security Department of Washington State website: <https://www.esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo/learn-about-an-occupation#/search>

LWTech is a public college and is proud to be regionally accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities at the associate and bachelor degree level. The NWCCU is the same organization that that oversees accreditation for 162 institutions, including University of Washington, Washington State University, and Central Washington University. Some of our programs carry industry accreditation as well.

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Degrees & Certificates:

Associate Degree

- Early Childhood Education, AAS

Certificates

- Early Childhood Education, Certificate of Proficiency
- State Early Childhood Education Certificate, Certificate of Proficiency
- State Early Childhood Education Initial Certificate, Certificate of Completion
- State Early Childhood Education, Short Certificate of Specialization in:
 - Administration, Certificate of Completion
 - Family Child Care, Certificate of Completion
 - General, Certificate of Completion
 - Infants and Toddlers, Certificate of Completion
 - School Age Care, Certificate of Completion

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