

# The Early Childhood Years and Childcare World

Pathways as a Childcare Professional





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# Welcome and Introductions



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# Reflection

What do you know about the profession?

What do you want to know about the profession?



# Day in a Life of an ECE

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# Employment Opportunities

Settings	Opportunities
1. Licensed Childcare Settings	Registered early childhood educator (RECE), Child Development Practitioner (CDP), Early Childhood Assistant (ECA)
Full Day Centers Nursery school programs Before and after school programs	
2. EarlyON Centers	RECEs, Child and Youth Worker, Developmental Service Worker, Worker with background working with kids or families
3. Educational programs for children with special needs	Resource Consultants (RC)
4. School Boards in Kindergarten classrooms	RECEs
5. Licensed home childcare providers	OSSD diploma and home that adheres with the Ministry requirements

# Education Pathways



**Note:** An Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) is required for acceptance into the Child Development Practitioner Apprenticeship

*\*\* Students can research Ontario ECE Grant Program to receive reimbursements on expenses\*\*  
Requirement: Applicant with at least 6 months of work experience in the sector\*\**

CDP also has pathways for Indigenous (virtual options for the Indigenous in-school) and Francophone (in-school being completed by College Boreal) communities. There are also virtual options for other CDP via a number of community colleges.



# Current opportunities to explore this career



- **Coop opportunities at a childcare center** - Contact your coop teacher to explore your options
- ❖ **Courses at DSBN**  
Dual credit programs: EDUC1133 Foundations of ECE, HPW3C Working with Infants and Youth Children (course credit for Niagara College ECE Program), HPC30 Parenting, HPD4C Working with School-Age Children & Adolescents
- ❖ **Courses at NCDSB**  
- TBD

Questions?

