The Sheffield College

Apprenticeships +

Early Years Practitioner

Sector	Childcare and Education
Who is it for?	New recruits and existing staff
Start date	September and January
Level	2
Duration	12 months
End-point assessment	Two assessments, a professional discussion underpinned by a portfolio of evidence and a knowledge test
Qualification	Level 2 Early Years Practitioner
Delivery model	Weekly college session

This standard aims to give the Apprentice the knowledge, skills and behaviours to complete early years practitioner tasks and duties successfully.

Day-to-day tasks include supporting child-initiated and adult-led activities, assisting children's learning through planned educational programmes, interacting with parents, children and colleagues and helping with the care needs of the children.

Typical job roles include:

Nursery assistant

Early years practitioner

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Assistant childminder

Early years worker

What your Apprentice will learn



Apprentices develop knowledge, skills and behaviours to be able to work effectively in their job role.

These form the Apprenticeship standard that has been developed and agreed with employers.



100%

pass rate at end-point assessment in 2023/24 for this standard

The knowledge, skills and behaviours that your Apprentice will learn include:

Knowledge

Child development

Safeguarding policies and procedures

Impact of health and well-being on a child's development

The Early Years Foundation Stage Framework (EYFS)

How to support children with SEND

Skills

Recognising when a child is in danger or at risk of harm or abuse

Understanding the prevention and control of infection

Providng respectful care to all babies and children

Supporting the observation and assessment of children

Promoting healthy balanced diets

Behaviours

Caring and compassionate

Professionalism

Reflection

Collaboration

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