The Sheffield College

Apprenticeships +

Early Years Educator

Sector	Childcare and Education
Who is it for?	New recruits and existing staff
Start Date	September and January
Level	3
Duration	Typically 18 months for learning plus three months for end-point assessment
End-point assessment	Two assessments, a professional discussion underpinned by a portfolio of evidence and a knowledge test
Qualification	Level 3 Early Years Practitioner
Delivery model	Weekly college session

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

Day-to-day tasks include planning and implementing child-initiated and adultled activities, supporting children to develop numeracy and language skills, observing children and shaping their learning experiences and meeting care needs such as feeding.

Typical job roles include:

Nursery nurse

Room leader

Nursery manager

Childminder

Early years foundation stage teaching assistant

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.

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



100%

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

Knowledge

The importance of equality, diversity, and inclusion

Awareness of safeguarding policies and procedures

Enabling environments

The Early Years Foundation Stage Framework (EYFS)

Methods of reflective practice

Skills

Understanding when to use safeguarding policy and procedure

Using of a range of communication methods

Support children through a range of transitions

Facilitating and supporting child-centred opportunities

Supporting children with SEND and other needs

Behaviours

Collaborating

Professionalism

Child-centred

Reflection

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