

Childcare and Teacher Training

Early Years Educator Level 3 Apprenticeship

In Brief

Start Date / Duration

This course can start at various times during the year. This qualification will take up to 24 months to complete.

Entry Requirements

- Learners will need to be at least 16 years of age. Some settings require you to have a suitable Level 2 qualification in Health and Social Care or Childcare and four GCSEs at grade C/4 plus GCSE English at grade 4 or above
- Apprentices without Level 2 English and maths will need to achieve this level prior to taking their end point assessment
- You will need to find an employer to employ you as an apprentice.
- Please see our **Apprenticeship vacancies.** <https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/our-departments/apprenticeships/apprenticeship-vacancies/>
- As your programme may involve working with children, you will be required to undertake a satisfactory Disclosure Barring Service (DBS) check

You will achieve

You will achieve a Cache Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator) QCF

Course Overview

Early Years Educators, and other job roles such as nursery nurse and childminders, are highly trained professionals who play a key role in ensuring that young children learn and develop well

and are kept healthy and safe. They work in a range of settings including full day care, children's centres, pre schools, reception classes and as childminders for children from birth to 5 years old.

If you would like to find out more information about this apprenticeship you can visit the Apprenticeship Standards website [<https://www.instituteofapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/early-years-educator/>] .

Course Content

- Apprentices must successfully complete the Level 3 Award in Paediatric First Aid. (RQF) or
- Level 3 Award in Emergency Paediatric First Aid (RQF) to meet the EYFS requirements

An Early Years Educator:

- Plans and supervises child initiated and adult led activities which are based around the needs and interests of each individual child
- Supports children to develop numeracy and language skills through games and play
- Has key person responsibility to help ensure each child feels safe and secure
- Observes each child and shapes their learning experience to reflect their observations
- Meets the care needs of the individual child such as feeding, changing nappies and administration of medicine
- Works in partnership with other colleagues, parents and/or carers or other professionals to meet the individual needs of each child

How will I be assessed?

You will be assessed using a portfolio of evidence, observations in the workplace and assignments. You will be assessed both in college and in your place of work.

What Equipment Will I Need?

You will be required to provide pens and paper or computer.

Where will I study?

You will study within the workplace and attend classes at Barnsley College, Old Mill Lane Campus, Church Street, Barnsley, S70 2YW.

What can I do next?

With additional experience, an Early Years Educator can become the Manager of an Early Years setting.

How much does the course cost?

There is no cost to being an Apprentice. All costs associated with your apprenticeship, including

the cost of training and your salary, will be paid by your employer.

Financial support

You may be eligible for assistance with expenses such as travel, books, equipment and childcare. For further information please contact the Student Services Team on +44 (0)1226 216 267.

Extra information

Contact the Apprenticeship Team

For further information please contact the team on 01226 216166 or email: apprenticeships@barnsley.ac.uk [mailto:apprenticeships@barnsley.ac.uk]

Want to join Barnsley Sports Academy and the Sports Village?

Barnsley College has a range of sports opportunities for all students to take part in, gain professional training and compete nationally and internationally. We also have a state-of-the-art fitness village, Honeywell Sports Village [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/shops-services/honeywell-sports-village/>] where students can make use of our fitness suite, spinning studio and classes for competitive rates. You don't have to be studying sport to get involved in the Sports Academy [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/barnsley-sports-academy/>].

Additional Learning Support

Our Additional Learning Support team can provide you with the support you need. Please contact them on +44 (0)1226 216 769.

English and Maths

Having good English and Maths qualifications are important for most careers and we want to give you the help you need to succeed.

If you are aged 16 – 19 and don't already have a grade C/4 or above in GCSE English and Maths they will automatically be included in your study programme. If you want to work towards higher grades in English and Maths we can help you do that too.

Need a higher level Maths qualification? We offer a [Level 3 Mathematical Studies \(Core Maths\)](#).

This can be added to your study programme.

If you need any further information, please contact our friendly [Information Team](#).

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Please note we reserve the right to change details without notice. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

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