Head Start Professional Development

Online Degree

Face-2-Face

SD Early Childhood Enrichment Centers

Bachelor Degree in Early Childhood Elementary Majors with EC focus
Associates Degree in Early Childhood
South Dakota State University

Early Education and Care (B.S.)

The Early Education and Care (EEC) is an online undergraduate program provided by seven universities working in collaboration. This program will prepare you to work in early childhood settings with young children, especially those whose family members are highly mobile. When students complete the program, they will be qualified to work in a variety of programs that offer early care and education in the community and on military installations.

Dakota State University

Elementary Education (B.S.E.)
Elementary Ed/Special Ed (B.S.)

Our nationally accredited programs equip you with the knowledge and skills to really make a difference in the lives of your future students.
Black Hills State University (BHSU) Spearfish, SD
Early Childhood Special Education Major

Oglala Lakota College (OLC) Kyle, SD
Bachelor of Arts (Early Childhood)
View EC Head Start Emphasis Plan of Study
View EC Teacher Certification Emphasis Plan of Study

Sitting Bull College McLaughlin and Mobridge, SD
Early Childhood Education (B.S.) Teaching and Non-Teaching

South Dakota State University (SDSU) Brookings, SD
Early Childhood Education Birth to 8 Major
View Plan of Study
A Baccalaureate Degree in Elementary Education is required before an Endorsement or a Minor in Early Childhood can be obtained.

- Birth through Pre-School Education Endorsement
- Birth through Pre-School Special Education Endorsement
- Early Childhood Education Minor

Sinte Gleska University (SGU) Mission, SD
Bachelor of Science K-8 Elementary Education Early Childhood
View Courses

South Dakota State University (SDSU) Brookings, SD
Early Childhood Education (B.S.) Cooperative Elementary Education Program with DSU
View Plan of Study

University of South Dakota (USD) Vermillion, SD
Elementary Education & Early Childhood (B.S.Ed.)
View Plan of Study
Child and Adolescent Development Minor (must complete major first to get minor)
Lake Area Technical Institute (LATC) Watertown, SD
Human Services Technician-Child Development Option
View Course Outline

Lake Area Tech has Articulation Agreements with Mount Marty College, SDSU, and USD.

Oglala Lakota College (OLC) Kyle, SD
Associate of Arts (Early Childhood)
View EC Plan of Study

Sinte Gleska University (SGU) Mission, SD
Associate of Arts in K-8 Elementary Early Childhood
View Courses

Sisseton Wahpeton College (SWC) Agency Village, SD
Early Childhood Development (Associate of Science)

Sitting Bull College  McLaughlin and Mobridge, SD
Early Childhood (Associate of Science)

Southeast Technical College (ST) Sioux Falls, SD
Early Childhood Specialist (Associate Degree Program)
View Curriculum
- Classroom-style, online or on-site training
- On-site technical assistance and coaching
- Promotion of health, safety, and development in children B-5.
- Cost range from Free to $30
- Available in 5 Regions

SD Early Childhood Enrichment Centers

Region 1: Early Childhood Connections
Region 2: The Right Turn
Region 3: Sanford Children’s CHILD Services
Region 4: Child and Family Resources Network
Region 5: Sanford Children’s CHILD Services

SD ECE Training Calendars

Pathways to Professional Development

SD Pathways to PD recognizes those who work in Head Starts and other Early Childhood entities. This statewide registry documents your educational and professional accomplishments by placing participants within Career Lattice levels 1 through 7.