

# Course Profile: Education: Early Childhood

**Course Location** St. Johns

**Prerequisites** 1) Students must have local approval based on high school graduation requirements.

Students focus on and learn the knowledge and skills necessary in early childhood care and education programs such as kindergartens, preschools, childcare centers, family childcare homes, and before and after school programs. These programs require professionals who understand how children grow and learn, can develop caring relationships with young children and have skills at planning and implementing a program that meets the specific characteristics of young children. Course content includes



child development, health and safety, self-esteem, interacting with children, positive guidance/discipline skills, families, professionalism and activity/development design. Students will also have the opportunity to examine classroom settings and methods in kindergarten through grade 12 environments, exploring how early childhood provides a foundation for future learning, and gaining an understanding of the full scope of the teaching profession. Field placements in community early childhood education and care programs are a component of this program.

This course provides the opportunity to earn the following **direct credits** from **Lansing Community College**:

Credits	To be eligible to earn credit, students must achieve:
<b>CHDV 100 (3 credits)</b> Foundations in Early Childhood Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accuplacer reading level 5</li> <li>Accuplacer writing level 4</li> <li>At least a 2.5 in courses</li> </ul>
<b>CHDV 113 (2 credits)</b> Health/Safety in Early Childhood Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accuplacer reading level 5</li> <li>Accuplacer writing level 4</li> <li>At least a 2.5 in courses</li> <li>Criminal background check, physical and TB test are required for field placement</li> </ul>
<b>CHDV 186 (1 credit)</b> Child Self-Esteem / Positive Discipline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accuplacer reading level 4</li> <li>Accuplacer writing level 4</li> </ul>

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## Accuplacer Assessment

To be eligible to receive Lansing Community College (LCC) credit for the course, students are **required** to take the Accuplacer assessment exam and obtain the listed minimum scores. LCC will admit students before the beginning of the school year as a necessary step prior to Accuplacer testing. The exam is taken as part of the course in the fall.

LCC staff will admit all incoming Career Connections students prior to the end of the current school year. At the session, students will need to bring their driver's license and Social Security card, as well as supply their full legal name, Social Security number, and correct address, including apartment numbers or P.O. box numbers. Schools will let students know the date when this enrollment is scheduled.

If on the first attempt a student does not attain the required scores, retakes are an option. The Accuplacer exam can be waived if a student submits ACT or SAT test results for verification that list comparable scores. Further Accuplacer exam information is available from the course instructor or by calling the Lansing Community College North Campus at 989-224-2017.

## Direct Course Credits

Career Connections students are eligible for both high school and Lansing Community College credit. As is the case with all classes,

students must earn the credit; it is not automatically granted by simply attending the class.

Students enrolling in this course are also enrolled at LCC. There will be an official transcript that lists grades by class at the end of the school year.

When sending application information to post-secondary institutions (colleges, universities, community colleges, trade schools, etc.), students should include the credit information listed on this sheet so that admissions counselors fully understand the makeup of this Career Connections course. High school counselors should include this information on official school transcripts as well. Ultimately, **students** bear the responsibility of conveying

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the LCC class information to post-secondary institutions.

Further information is available from the course instructor or by calling the Career Connections administration office at 989-224-6831.

## Credit Information:

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Listed below are the Lansing Community College degree and certificate programs that align with this course.

### The following LCC programs contain CHDV 100:

- 0921 – CDA Credential Training – Certificate of Completion
- 1637 – Child Development and Early Education – Associate in Arts Degree
- 0133 – Child Development and Early Education – Certificate of Achievement
- 1039 – Teacher Paraprofessional – Associate in Applied Science Degree – Choice 2A
- 0829 – Teacher Paraprofessional – Certificate of Completion – Choice 1

### The following LCC programs contain CHDV 186:

- 1039 – Teacher Paraprofessional – Associate in Applied Science Degree – Choice 2
- 0829 – Teacher Paraprofessional – Certificate of Completion – Choice 1

If you are interested in any of these LCC programs, you can find more information at the LCC website:

**[http://www.lcc.edu/catalog/degree\\_certificateprograms/current/](http://www.lcc.edu/catalog/degree_certificateprograms/current/)**

Scroll down to the name of the program you are interested in and click on it. You will see a curriculum guide that will explain all the requirements for that program.