

Early Education & Childcare

> What is this course?

This course is an introduction to Early Education and Childcare and will give you an idea of the demands and responsibilities of working in the care sector.

The aim of this new course is to enable young people from S3 onwards to develop practical vocational skills and improve their employment prospects by developing a range of underpinning knowledge required to work with children.

> Course content:

- Child development and health
- Play in early education and childcare
- Working in early education and childcare
- Parenting
- Care and feeding of children
- Maintenance of a safe environment for children
- First aid

> Who should consider this course?

Anyone interested in caring for children or health studies.

> What makes this option different?

The main difference between this course and your other standard grades is that we have made the learning "more realistic" for you. You will learn practical skills which will prepare you for college and employment.

"In Childcare we learn about interesting things and it's also fun at the same time. I always look forward to it."

*Danielle Mullen,
St Ambrose High*

> What can I do when I finish the course?

3rd year pupils who complete Intermediate 1 can progress to Intermediate 2 in 4th year. Pupils can then progress to the full-time Early Education & Childcare course at Coatbridge College.

